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Mackenzie Advises Prices at Braefoot Will Be Unchanged

Denies Interpretation of Words On Reducing Costs at Estate

By TOM GREEN
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OTTAWA, Dec. 16.—Despite his announcement on the floor of Parliament on Monday last week that sale prices to veterans of houses on the Braefoot Estate would be reduced, Veterans' Affairs Minister Ian Mackenzie today indicated this would not be the case.

In an "about-face" Mr. Mackenzie today told Major-General George R. Pearkes, V.C. in a communication that since July 1946, when an adjustment was made by way of downward revision of estimated cost of these houses of $19,900, in round figures, it has been carefully estimated that there will be a further adjustment, by way of write-off, on the cost of these houses, of some $24,000.

Mr. Mackenzie's letter continued: "But this will not mean a downward revision of the sale prices, already quoted to veterans. It means a write-off in the cost of these houses in view of remedial repairs, which will be borne by the taxpayers."

Commenting tonight on the Minister's surprising reversal of his previous policy, Major-General Pearkes made the following statement to The Colonist.

EMPHASIZED WORDS

"On December 10, I asked Mr. Mackenzie the simple straightforward question as to whether an adjustment had been made to the veterans who have occupied or still occupy houses on the Braefoot project. I emphasized the words 'to the veterans.'

"Mr. Mackenzie gave me a prepared answer in which he stated in effect, 'There has already been a downward adjustment of a substantial amount on the Braefoot Estate; there will be a further adjustment by way of write-off. This includes the cost of remedial repairs to the houses.'

Major-General Pearkes quoted Mr. Mackenzie's answer from Hansard, the official record of proceedings in the House of Commons.

"No other conceivable interpretation can be placed upon these words," he continued, "than indicating there would be a downward revision of the sale price already quoted to the veterans.

"I am amazed that Mr. Mackenzie today admitted no there will be no price revision and that the only adjustment made a bit the cost of the repairs, which are to be borne by the taxpayers and not by the contractor, namely $24,900."

Girl Cashier Foils Bandit By 'Fainting'

A pretty, blonde cashier foiled an attempted robbery of Terry's Dining-room last night by playing possum.

According to Cherie Brunell, 737 McClure Street, the would-be robber came out beside her as the restaurant was fairly crowded about 10 p.m. He came through the side entrances on Douglas Street, she said.

"He was heavy set, about 50 years old, and kept one hand in his overcoat pocket as though he had a gun," she said.

"He greeted me with 'If you keep very quiet you won't get hurt.'"

Miss Brunell said that at first she thought the man was joking. "But it didn't take me long to know I was wrong."

"Don't say a word. Open the till quickly and hand me the money," the bandit ordered. There was several hundred dollars in the till, according to Miss Brunell.

"Just then," Miss Brunell said, "a customer came up to me to pay his cheque. "I tried to signal him and kept trying to think of something to do.

"The bandit stayed close beside me all the while and out of the corner of my eye I could see him menacing me with the hand in his coat.

"I don't know what made me think of it but I decided to faint. I fell to the floor. I heard the bandit say 'I better run and get a doctor!' I felt like calling after him 'Liar.'"

Police were called on the scene a few minutes later. At an early hour this morning the would-be robber had not been traced.

Prices Up Ten Per Cent In British Trade Offer

OTTAWA, Dec. 16 (CP)—Canada's offer for new trade agreements with the United Kingdom covering bacon, cheese, eggs and beef involves increased prices of roughly 10 per cent over the old agreements that expire December 31, it was learned tonight.

Rumors said that while Britain had accepted higher prices, it had reduced the amounts of each commodity it would take as compared with the old contracts.

A Government spokesman here said it was Canada that had cut the volume. The feed grain crop this year was so poor Canada could not undertake to maintain the flow of foodstuffs at the rate it undertook a year ago.

Under the existing contract Canada supplies some 80,000,000 dozen of eggs at 50 cents a dozen. Next year it will endeavor to send Britain 72,000,000 dozen at a price slightly less than ten per cent big er.

Canada had aimed at supplying the United Kingdom a 4th more than 200,000,000 pounds of bacon this year. For next year it will be around 220,000,000 pounds. The larger for next year is 225,000,000 pounds. The new price will be more than ten per cent higher.

Canada also failed to deliver the 90,000,000 pounds of cheese and the 1,000,000 pounds of beef it had undertaken to deliver last year. The price will be about ten per cent higher.

The highest fail-down this year was in beef deliveries. The volume still likely be left open in the new agreement and the prices will be roughly ten per cent higher.

Chinese Leader Escapes Ring

NANKING, Dec. 16 (CP)—Gen. Liu Po-Cheng, elusive leader of Communist marauders in Central China, has fought his way out of a big Chinese Government "iron ring," Chinese press dispatches said today.

Reports for once more had made good his escape and returned to his mountain hideout coincided with news of renewed fighting in Manchuria, where a high Chinese military source asserted the Communists now had "dangerous" numerical superiority because of help from Russia.

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Coast Mission Founder Ends 15,000-Mile Trip

Well-known in Victoria, 87-year-old Rev Dr John Antle, founder of the Columbia Coast Mission, has made the headlines again.

Rev. DR. JOHN ANTLE

This time the modern-ancient mariner has turned up in San Pedro, California, after a round-trip voyage to Jamaica in his 66-foot ketch "Reverie."

Dr. Antle and his "one-man" crew, 20-year-old Lucy Yardy, a former teacher in the Columbia Coast Mission, said the weather was exceedingly rough and that another girl crew member, Audrey Sherlock, 21, left the boat in Panama because of the rough voyage.

The voyage started from Vancouver more than a year ago and carried the pair about 15,000 miles, which Dr. Antle said "took about ten years off my life."

"Man and boy, I've sailed for many years and have never seen rougher weather," he said.

Dr. Antle said the same vessel from Liverpool to Victoria in 1929. He retired as superintendent of the Columbia Coast Mission in 1936 and was succeeded by Rev. Alan G. Greene.

However, during the war he came out of retirement to take charge of the Anglican parish of the Gulf Islands, which comprises Saturna, North and South Pender, Mayne and Galiano Islands.

The Columbia Coast Mission was incorporated on October 22, 1907, three years after Dr. Antle established a month's investigation among logging camps and settlements on the Northeast Coast of the island and reported his findings on lack of hospitals, education and other amenities of civilization.

Violence Continues in Middle East Countries

Shown in the upper picture are firemen watching a Blaze set in a street car by Arab students in Cairo, where demonstrations have been held to protest the partitioning of Palestine into Jewish and Arab States. Arab League leaders held the closing session of a conference yesterday. In the lower photo, members of Haganah, Jewish underground, are shown crowding into trucks in Jerusalem's Zion Square, preparing to head for the Arab section of Jerusalem to try to retrieve belongings seized by Arabs earlier.

Paper Recommends Minister Negotiate

LONDON, Dec. 16 (CP)—Declaring that Britain takes for granted too readily Canada's immense contributions to this country," The Daily Express said in an editorial today that a cabinet minister should be sent to Canada to handle the food negotiations.

"We expect the automatic granting of requests, often far more than the Dominion can afford," the paper said. "But Canada's aid to the Motherland has put her into serious difficulties in her dollar trading a fact not fully appreciated here even by ministers."

Sicilian City Facing Strike

ROME, Dec. 16 (AP)—The Provincial Chamber of Labor in Catania, Sicily, declared a general strike effective at midnight tonight in a demand for unemployment relief.

The strike appeared modelled after last week's general strike in Rome, which was called off after two days with Communists and the Government disputing as to who had won.

Discussions Started On Merging Zones

LONDON, Dec. 16 (AP)—Secretary Marshall of the United States Foreign Secretary Bevin and Minister Bidault of France in what authoritative informants said was the beginning of informal "exploratory" talks on the merging of Western Germany into a single zone of occupation.

In Germany, German political leaders discussed creation of a Western German state with a new capital in Frankfurt.

Foreign Minister Molotov flew toward Moscow to deliver a report to Premier Stalin and the powerful Politburo—a report which was expected to result in quick action in the Soviet campaign against the unification of Western Germany and the Marshall Plan.

These were among the first 24-hour developments that followed break-up of consultations in the Council of Foreign Ministers over the fate of Germany and Austria.

STATES POSITION

In the meeting with Bidault, it was understood Marshall provided a general outline of the United States position on such a merger.

It was this political feature that grouped Western Germany political leaders tonight. They held a special conference in Frankfurt with a view since November 1, when Britain and France agreed to fuse their zones, of forming a "federalized" Western state.

If the Social Democrats, who control between one-third and one-half the votes of Western Germany, abstain from creating such a Western Government, they could sabotage any sort of a political set-up devised by the three Western powers. It is expected, however, that compromise will be reached and any Government will be a coalition affair.

Mine Sighted Off Coos Bay

SEATTLE, Dec. 16 (AP)—Another Japanese mine was sighted 13 miles northwest of Coos Bay, Ore., today by the steamship Texada, Coastguard headquarters reported. The cutter Bonham has been ordered to destroy the mine, the 30th sighted off the Oregon coast since November 1.

Cashier Fakes Faint to Foil Robbery

(Colonist Photo)

Shown above smiling beside her cash register, Cherie Brunell, 737 McClure Street, revived quickly after playing possum to foil an attempted holdup of Terry's dining-room last night.

Abbott Indicates Action May Be Taken to Cut Purchasing in Canada

Emphasizes Trade Pact Needed To Increase Exports to US.

OTTAWA, Dec. 16 (CP)—Need for a new trade agreement that would facilitate a heavy flow of Canadian goods to United States markets was emphasized today in the Commons by Finance Minister Abbott as he gave a lengthy review of steps taken to meet Canada's shortage of United States dollars.

In a 20,000-word speech on a bill containing emergency measures for the conservation of Canadian foreign exchange resources, Mr. Abbott said that Canada's view with respect to a new agreement had been informally communicated to the United States Government, which was also studying methods of promoting mutually-beneficial economic co-operation.

Mr. Abbott said the urgent and serious dollar shortage had arisen out of the fact that Canada "sold to Europe and Britain large credits and brought from the United States for cash. In present circumstances trade has presented no difficulties because exchanges was readily available, but he could see no early return to pre-war conditions.

While Mr. Abbott said the Government felt his approach to the problem was a "sound and sensible one," J. M. Macdonnell (PC, Muskoka-Ontario), chief financial critic for the Progressive Conservative Party, said the crisis had arisen because of the Government's "mismanagement" of the situation.

"PRETTY BLACK"

Mr. Macdonnell said the bill was one of the "most preposterous" ever brought into the House. It gave powers to one man which he never thought to pay to Canada. The powers were astounding.

"We who are free are asked to put ourselves on monetary, he declared.

At the night sitting, M. J. Coldwell, C.C.F. leader, suggested that a Royal Commission be established to hear under oath what officials of cartels and monopolies were prepared to do to assist in the solution of the dollar problem.

Before the debate started, Revenue Minister McCann said that recent "substantial estimates" at board points showed that precautions taken to prevent breaches of Foreign Exchange Control Regulations were justified.

Prime Minister Mackenzie King said the Government has given consideration "right along to the possibility of increasing pensions and allowances for veterans.

In summing up problems arising out of the dollar situation, Mr. Abbott made these points:

1. He indicated that some action may be taken to cut down Canadian consumption in order to make more goods available for export to the United States.

2. He intimated that steps may be taken to direct industry into the manufacture of goods that can be sold on United States markets.

3. He said the restrictions on the import of goods other than capital goods and on pleasure travel were expected to result in a dollar saving of $300,000,000 annually.

4. The Government had considered devaluation of the dollar but decided that it would not be as effective as the measure now in force.

Arab Riders Make Raids On Jewish Settlements

JERUSALEM, Dec. 16 (AP)—Canal-riding Arab police and Jewish settlement reinforcements of Hagana clashed in three skirmishes in the Holy Land's Southern desert today and four Jews and one Arab were killed in the fighting.

Civilians of both factions, including Arab desert tribesmen, also engaged in the clashes which centered about the Jewish settlements of Halutsa, Revivim and Beih Eshel. The death toll in the three other clashes brought to 259 the number of persons killed in Palestine since the United Nations decided Nov. 29 to partition The Holy Land into separate Arab and Jewish states.

Hagana, the Jewish defence army, said the uniformed Arab police were subjected to heavy settlements to repeated attacks were sharpshooters of the Palestine Police Force.

Earlier, Hagana claimed to have trapped and destroyed a large force of Arabs in an encounter five miles north of Petah Tikva.

A Hagana spokesman said the Arabs, believed to be scouting party from the Arab village of Tulkarm, first were sighted north of Tel Aviv. They were pursued northward and took refuge in a group of abandoned houses where Hagana fighters surrounded them, the spokesman said.

There was no confirmation of such a clash from Arab sources.

In Jerusalem tonight one British Police Sergeant was killed and another severely wounded by gunfire. There were conflicting reports over the origin of the attack.

Hagana and the Arab "people's army," as yet unnamed, appeared sparring for opening holds in the struggle over the creation of an independent Jewish state.

Advices from Arab centres over the Middle East indicated the Arab drive for men and money to fight the partition of Palestine was gaining impetus.

A "decisive" announcement was promised after the closing session of the Arab League in Cairo.

Rescue Craft Going to Aid Of Two Ships

SEATTLE, Dec. 16 (AP)—Two ships operated by the United States Lines were in distress in the North Pacific tonight.

The army cargo boat FS-245 reflowed the bad ice off Cape Newenham near Bristol Bay in the Aleutians during a storm and the disabled tanker Ohio Trader was reported to have a damaged rudder and slowly-leaking propeller.

A crew of 30 was aboard the FS-245 and the El Cajon carried a crew of 42.

Naval headquarters at Kodiak, Alaska, radioed that the navy fleet tug Tekesta had been sent from Adak to the aid of the FS-245.

The ship was able to pull off and proceed toward Sequam Island to ride out the storm.

The vessel's chain locker was reported flooded, but the bulkhead was holding. The vessel was on a run from Adak, in the outer Aleutians, to Dutch Harbor.

The El Cajon was adrift about 415 miles southwest of Seattle. Both ships were proceeding to her aid.

Denies Reports On Prices True

LONDON, Dec. 16 (Reuters)—Newspaper reports that Canadian lumber had been purchased by the British Government at prices higher than those demanded by the sellers were described as untrue by John Belcher, parliamentary secretary to the Board of Trade, in the House of Commons today.

Belcher said the facts were that a large volume of soft-wood lumber was purchased in British Columbia in February for delivery over a long period.

Belcher said the prices paid "were less than those which were then, and are still, obtainable by sellers in other markets."

Fears Raised in France By Hidden Arms Stocks

PARIS, Dec. 16 (Reuters)—Reports of large stocks of hidden arms in France, coupled with a wave of strikes and Communist demonstrations, raised the fear of a possible civil war in the minds of many people today.

Sidewalk politicians talk of a possible struggle for an ultimate showdown between the Communists and the right-wing De Gaullists.

In an atmosphere charged with speculation on the possibility of such armed clashes, French people are asking: "What is the extent of the arms hidden in France?" and "Who has these arms?"

These questions were highlighted by the discovery last month of stocks of light arms in the Russian Repatriation Camp of Beaurepaire, near Paris. About 2,000 mobile guards raided the camp and seized the arms, and the French authorities ordered the camp closed.

A spokesman of the French Ministry of the Interior said today: "There are certainly hidden stocks of arms throughout France. We do not know the extent of these stocks.

"We believe that most of them were brought into the country by various means during the war."

A former commander of several Maquis groups which operated in Central France in the region where British forces parachuted arms to the French underground during the war said that only about 15 per cent of the arms left over in France after the end of the war have been recovered.

BULLETINS

Eight Hurt

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (Wednesday) (CP)—At least eight persons were injured, some seriously, when part of the interior of an eight-story apartment and business building caved in around midnight in downtown Washington.

The cause of the collapse was not immediately determined.

Draft Adopted

GENEVA, Dec. 17 (Wednesday) (AP)—The United Nations Commission on Human Rights early today adopted a carousal setting down essential freedoms for all human beings regardless of race, sex, nationality or religion. The draft will be submitted to governments of the United Nations.

Airmen Killed In Plane Crash

TUCSON, Ariz., Dec. 16 (AP)—At least 13 men were believed killed tonight when a B-29 Superfortress from Davis-Monthan Field here crashed and burned during takeoff. Twenty men were aboard the plane but eight were believed to have escaped.

Maj. D. D. Burke, public relations officer at the heavy bomber base, said in an official statement that there were "some dead and some injured" in the crash.

"No further announcement will be made until the casualties and survivors have been identified," he said.

Prime Minister 73

W. L. MACKENZIE KING

Prime Minister Mackenzie King today celebrates his 73rd birthday, but will be a working day as usual for Mr King, according to a Canadian Press Ottawa dispatch. There no special celebrations are planned. However, he likely will take time off from his duties in the Commons to read telegrams of congratulations from friends.

Highs and Lows Of the Weather

	Max.	Min.	Precipitation
Resolute	10	0	.02
Toronto	45	31	.02
Fort Archer	9	6	.02
Prince Rupert	43	37	.99
Regina	8	0	.02
Banff Cornwall	9	29	.20
Calgary	12	10	.02
Edmonton	10	2	.02
Pembroke	32	19	Trace
Kamloops	32	19	.02
Prince Rupert	39	28	.04
Seattle	42	32	.02
Chicago	35	30	.02

World's Largest Dog on Way to Montreal

Thomas Coupplidatch of London shows with son, Michael, five, and family pet, Rupert, grand champion Great Dane which Coupplidatch claims is largest dog in world, arrived in New York aboard Sc Queen Mary. Rupert is 38 inches high, weighs 168 pounds, is three years old and eats seven and one-half pounds of meat daily. They're en route to Montreal.

Dollar Shortage Action Too Late, Commons Told

OTTAWA, Dec. 16 (CP)—M. J. Coldwell, leader of the C.C.F. Party, said tonight in the Commons that he felt the Government could have acted much sooner to solve Canada's shortage of American dollars.

Speaking during continued debate on second reading of the Exchange Conservation Bill, Mr. Coldwell said he wished to join with Finance Minister Abbott and J. M. Macdonnell (P.C., Muskoka-Ontario) in freeing top civil servants from any blame for the Government's inaction.

He agreed with the Government that the dollar should not be devalued at this time. Such action would involve an added burden on the people at this time in the way of general price increases.

Mr. Coldwell said that while the Geneva Trade Agreement called for non-discrimination in the matter of restrictions, he felt Canada was wrong in enforcing the non-discriminatory clause of the agreement before it was necessary.

The restrictions announced by the Government were unacompanied by any control of monopolies or by any control of prices of the things the people have to buy.

Sidon Low Social Credit leader, said his party had always favored any move that would make Canada more self-sufficient. But in doing that the Government should take care that the country did not fall more and more under the control of monopolies and cartels.

BOOST PRODUCTION

He said the best way to overcome Canada's difficulties was to increase production.

A. L. Smith (P.C., Calgary West) expressed opposition to the new excise taxes and cited the case of a Calgary merchant who could not afford to pay the levies on equipment which had been delivered the day the taxes became effective.

He said that meant the Government was collecting excise taxes from people every day without the authority to do so.

Finance Minister Abbott interrected that was done each year when the budget was brought down.

Mr. Smith said that under those circumstances the budget was read in the Commons. In the present case, the minister meant he could tax the people when he wanted.

Mr. Smith said he could not understand some of the import restrictions. For instance, Canada, a cold country, had imported some $40,000 worth of ice from the United States. Railway sites, which "practically every Canadian has in his back yard," also were being imported. Live turtles too were on the import list.

Rose Thatcher (C.C.F. Moose Jaw) said he believed the Government had drawn up the list of import restrictions without considering the possible effect on Canadians.

For instance, one refrigerator retailer boosted his prices by $100 simply because American competition was being eliminated through the Government's action. He believed this elimination of competition applied as well to sewing machine and radio companies.

He felt that remposition of price controls should have accompanied

Village Saved By Landslide

TELEGRAPH CREEK, B.C., Dec. 16 (CP)—Residents of this small Northern British Columbia community, 260 miles north of Prince Rupert, today were thankful for a landslide which they credited with saving their lives and property.

Earlier this week an artificial lake burst its barriers raised the level of the Stikine River by several feet and threatened to swirl in a furious flood on this village of 150 persons.

Residents were warned to leave their homes.

But the full force of the maelstrom never struck the village. Straight in its path was a landslide, from a month earlier, which dammed up the boiling torrent and allowed only a slight overflow.

Residents were back in their homes today with no loss of life reported.

Two Requested To Appear Before Court

EDMONTON, Dec. 16 (CP)—The Royal commission appointed by the Alberta government to investigate welfare conditions in the province today served Harold Dingman, Calgary writer, and Jack Kent Cooke, publisher of New Liberty magazine, with notice to appear in this city on courthouse Friday to "show cause" why they should not be committed for contempt of the commission.

The complaint arose as the result of an article by Mr. Dingman in the current issue of New Liberty, entitled "Bullies for Export".

The article, bore the sub-title, "Alberta's Tragic Traffic in Babies."

S. Bruce Smith, counsel for the Provincial Government, presented members of the commission—Chief Justice W. R. Howson of the trial division of Alberta Supreme Court, Chief Judge J. W. McDonald, Calgary, and Judge E. B. Petrie, Lethbridge, with copies of the December 27 issue of the magazine.

Mr. Smith urged that the publisher and writer of the article in question be charged with contempt.

After the commission had adjourned to read the article, Chief Justice Howson commented: "It is one of the most scurrilous articles I have ever read.

Meanwhile, in Ottawa Mr. Dingman said in a statement that he was surprised that the article based on a report made by the Imperial Order Daughters of the Empire had been branded as "scurrilous."

"The I.O.D.E. report was of national interest and so far as I am aware it has not been repudiated. I thought it was written in the interest of public welfare everywhere and surely the public in Alberta are entitled to read it unless the press is to be subverted in that province. If the report by the Daughters of the Empire is proved wrong then I will welcome a correction."

In Toronto, Mr. Cooke, editor and publisher of New Liberty magazine said today he had instructed newsdealers in Alberta to continue distribution of the magazine's December 27 issue despite what he described as an attempt by an Alberta Royal commission to ban the issue. He said he had no comment on the Royal commission's report that he and Mr. Dingman appear before it in Edmonton December 18.

Retired Admiral Heads Texas Navy

AUSTIN, Tex., Dec. 16 (AP)—Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, who retired as chief of United States naval operations, was given a new job—chief of the Texas navy.

Governor Beauford H. Jester yesterday designated Nimitz, a native Texan, as "chief of naval operations of the Texas navy." He commented that he did not think the duties would be burdensome.

Texas really had a navy until—four ships when it fought its war of independence against Mexico in mid 19th century.

Prairie Mennonites Plan Emigration to Paraguay

WINNIPEG, Dec. 16 (CP)—Tempted by the promise of rich Paraguayan farmlands and the hope for freedom from taxation and from military service, between 2,500 and 3,000 Mennonites now living in Saskatchewan and Manitoba plan to migrate to South America as soon as transportation can be arranged.

Their counsel, B. B. Outhwaite, said today the first group of 50-100 is expected to sail from New York in mid-February. The rest will follow in similar groups and some may be taken by plane because the price quoted by the steamship company is "a little high."

In Paraguay they expect to be joined by 10,000 Mennonites from Russia.

All but about 90 of the number leaving Canada are from Manitoba's Sommerfeldt sect in the Altona district in the south-central part of the province. The remainder are from the Gouldtown area of Saskatchewan.

The 3,000-mile journey will be only another chapter in the history of the sect's search for a promised land. Originally from the Netherlands, where it originated in the 17th century, sect members moved first to Prussia and then to Russia to escape persecution. When Russia held they were liable for conscription into the army, the Mennonites—whose religion forbids bearing of arms—came to North America.

Here they established their communal farms largely self-sufficing, each autonomous and living to itself. But the advent of conscription in Canada, first in the Great War and again in the World War, disturbed them and when the Paraguayan Government promised land, exemption from taxes for a number of years and freedom from army service, the sect's leaders regarded the offer favorably.

BANNED HERE

The United States bureau of internal revenue collects $100 tax on slot machines. More than 70,000 are registered.

Japanese Claims Group Handles Unique Hearings

VANCOUVER, Dec. 16 (CP)—Canada's Japanese problem, thrust into prominence six years ago with the attack by Japan on Pearl Harbor, today appears dwindling from a subject of utmost concern to a perplexity with solution in sight.

But it has not diminished jeopardized Canada's handling of the problem has been formed by some 1800 claims for compensation for evacuation distributed Japanese more than half-way across the Dominion.

Furthermore, many of British Columbia's former Oriental residents claim they have no desire to return to the province from which they were displaced.

"The discrimination is more pronounced at the Coast. I have heard from friends that it is not quite even less in Eastern Canada than here. We'll stay put," said one Japanese-Canadian in the British Columbia interior.

Opinions Vary Over National Bill of Rights

OTTAWA, Dec. 16 (CP)—Two Provincial Attorney-Generals and the dean of a university law school have offered varied opinions on the question of the Dominion Government's power to enact "a comprehensive bill of rights applicable to all of Canada."

Correspondents tabled in the House of Commons today by Justice Minister Ilsley showed views reactions to a request for opinion.

L. J. W. Corman, Attorney-General of Saskatchewan, said his province is "wholeheartedly in favor of a Federal bill of rights and is ready and willing to co-operate in the working out of any jurisdictional problems that may arise.

J. P. A. Large, Attorney-General of Prince Edward Island, said he believed it "doubtful whether such an act could be drafted so as not to conflict with the provisions of the British North America Act, but that until I see the draft of the act and so know how comprehensive it will be, I will not be in a position to give an opinion."

I. W. F. M. Kennedy, dean of the faculty of the school of law, University of Toronto, said he did not think it would be possible to have such a bill of rights and that "I do not believe that a bill of rights is really necessary."

Britain to Reduce Capital Investment

LONDON, Dec. 16 (CP)—To save scarce labor and materials for expansion in even more urgent uses, the Labor Government has decided to cut the rate of capital investment by more than one-fifth by the end of next year.

The plan, announced in detail in a white paper issued by Chancellor Sir Stafford Cripps, is intended to increase exports and "buttress civil services as coal, electricity, steel and transport, which are basic to our whole industrial strength."

Capital investment projects include such things as maintenance, repair and extension of railway tracks, locomotives, rolling stock and equipment, electricity stations, gas works roads, schools houses, factories and public buildings. The original forecast was that $1,800,000,000 would be spent on them during 1948.

Now, Sir Stafford has instructed that limits be placed for projects worth only $1,420,000,000. Since the slowdown will be proportionate the estimated annual rate of capital expenditure in the end of 1948 is estimated at only $1,320,000,000.

"As the credits granted by the United States and Canada now are almost exhausted a great effort to balance overseas payments by reductions of imports and extension of exports is necessary," Sir Stafford said.

Defends Right To Spread Socialist View

LONDON, Dec. 16 (CP)—Dr. Hewlett Johnson, widely known as the "Red Dean" of Canterbury, replied to criticism by his archbishop tonight by saying that he had the "right and responsibility" as a Christian Socialist to express socialist views.

Earlier, Dr. Geoffrey Fisher, Archbishop of Canterbury, rebuked Dr. Johnson in a public statement, saying:

"It is unfortunately the case that recent actions of the Dean of Canterbury have given rise to widespread misunderstandings and misconceptions, both on the Continent and in the United States, liable to affect the relations of the Church of England with foreign churches or countries."

He added that he had "neither the responsibility for what the Dean may say or do nor the power to control it."

In his reply the 71-year-old dean acknowledged that he did not speak "for the official Church of England," said he was appointed in 1931 on the recommendation of the late Prime Minister Ramsay MacDonald, "partly because I had long urged that Socialism was in my view not only scientific but the logical consequence in our age of Christian morality.

"I thus naturally became a Christian spokesman within the Anglican Church for the great mass of English opinion in the mine, factories and fields which had STILL A FRONTIER elected as Socialist prime minister. Much land between Ecuador and the man who appointed me Dean the Gulf of Panama is still uneasy of Canterbury—Dr. Johnson said pieced.

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The Local Scene

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Ad Astra Branch of Legion Plans Installation on Friday

William H. Gadden, newly-elected president of the Ad Astra Branch of the Canadian Legion, will be installed at a meeting in the Britannia Hall at 8 p.m. Friday. G. P. Storey, recording secretary, reported yesterday.

Other officers to be installed are Past President Frank Kennedy, first vice-president, Phyllis Corbett, second vice-president and W.D. representative, and Alfred Savage, treasurer and assistant secretary.

General executive members elected were Miss M. E. Tomalin, Bob Silcock, Wing Commander Albert Carter and Boyce Gaddes. Committee chairmen and other positions will be filled by appointment by the new executive.

Excellent response has been received to the appeal for cash donations to the Christmas Hamper Fund. Members interested in donating either cash or groceries are asked to phone the secretary at B 6041 or B 6447. All donations will be used to help a veteran or his dependents, at Christmas.

At the conclusion of Monday's meeting, Wing Commander Roy Tomlin, D.S.O., D.F.C., R.C.A.F., Royal Roads College described the training given to cadets at the college.

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PROPERTY SALES DROP

Property sales in Victoria during November showed a marked slump compared with last year with 154 sales valued at $883,126 recorded at the office of the city assessor-collector against 246 sales in November, 1946, valued at $1,151,066.

There were 94 transfers of property valued at $252,516 and 28 wills were probated amounting to $77,482.

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MAYOR TO SPEAK

Mayor Percy E. George will be the guest speaker today at a luncheon meeting of the Victoria Real Estate Board to be held at the Empress Hotel. He will speak on "City of Victoria—Present and Future."

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LIBERAL OFFICERS

Joshua Smith was elected president at the annual meeting of Ward 1 of the Liberal Association. Byron T. Johnson was named honorary president and J. Burns, honorary vice-president.

Other officers are: E. M. Briggs, vice-president; Mrs. J. B. Joyce, treasurer; W. J. Latta, secretary.

Elected to the ward executive were D. Casillo, J. Burns, Mrs. A. C. Rose, Mrs. K. Grehin, J. Rhodes, Mrs. J. B. Joyce, E. M. Briggs, T. Allen, Mrs. J. B. Joyce and Mrs. E. M. Briggs were elected to the central executive.

Mercer Alone To Attend Police School

Withdrawal of its application for admission of Inspector John Blackstock in the next course to be conducted at the Royal Canadian Mounted Police school in Regina was announced yesterday.

The commission previously had decided that Inspector Blackstock's and Detective Inspector Harry Mercer should attend the next course. However, it was that this policy could not be followed out in view of the recent accident to Chief of Police J. A. McLellan and the appointment of Inspector Blackstock as acting chief constable.

The commission decided that Inspector Mercer should proceed to Regina as originally planned but that Inspector Blackstock should take the following course, believed to commence in June.

Call Tenders On Lightings Is Fire Hazard

Tenders for new Pavement lighting fixtures for the Douglas Trail will be called immediately, it was decided by the Saanich Council last night.

According to a report from the municipal wiring inspector, the circuits in the municipal hall are overloaded, overheated and constitute a fire hazard.

In addition, the inspector reported that the amount of light given at desks in the Municipal Hall is the style fixtures is 10 foot-candles. The minimum requirement for efficiency was 30 foot-candles, he said.

Installation of fluorescent lighting would reduce the load on the circuits by 10 per cent, bringing it within safe limits, and would increase the light at desks by 25-30 foot-candles, the inspector stated.

His estimate of the cost of the installation was $774 for the fixtures and $200 for labor.

Also recommended by the inspector was the installation of 37 electrically-operated time switches for turning on and off the municipal city's street lights.

The matter was recommended by the council for the consideration of the incoming body.

Cost of the time clocks and installation costs would be approximately $656 the acting inspector said. He explained that the clocks could be set to turn on or off the street lights at any desired interval to within five minutes of the time set. One clock could operate all street lights in a given area, he said.

The of the devices would bring about a saving of approximately $300 a year in electric power, the inspector estimated, and an additional saving in salaries would be secured when now a man has to be turning on or off of these lights.

Saanich Donates To Chest Fund

A donation of $25 to the Community Chest was approved by the Saanich council last night.

In approving the donation the council pointed out that more than $800 has been donated already this year to agencies in the Community Chest.

Inspector J. Blackstock Named As City Acting Chief Constable

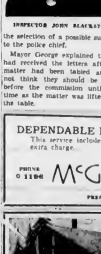
Appointment of Inspector John Blackstock as acting chief constable was approved by the Victoria Board of Police Commissioners at a meeting yesterday.

The board pointed out that the appointment was a temporary measure and would remain in effect until a definite policy on the appointment of a deputy police chief had been decided.

Action was made necessary by the accident on December 8 in which Chief of Police J. A. McLellan suffered injuries which it is believed will confine him to hospital for some months.

Speaking on the matter of appointment of a deputy police chief, chairman of the commission he placed before the board.

Mayor Percy E. George, chairman of the commission, stated his attitude on the matter and continued a plan which he had in mind to be followed in appointment of a deputy police chief, which had been tabled by a previous meeting. Commissioner B. J. Gadsden stated that it was his intention that two letters which he had written to Mayor Percy E. George as



INSPECTOR JOHN BLACKSTOCK

the selection of a possible successor to the position.

Mayor George explained that he had received the letters after the meeting was held. He stated that not think they should be placed before the commission until such time as the matter was lifted from the table.

Special Office To Be Opened In City Station

Establishment of a separate office in city police headquarters for the collection of minor traffic fines, receiving of motor vehicle accident reports, issuing of permits to chauffeurs, and other duties formerly carried out by the charge office staff was approved by the police commission yesterday.

The office will be in charge of Constable Stanley Cornish, young police officer who has recently recovered from serious gunshot wounds suffered while apprehending a car thief last May.

While establishment of the office will eliminate much of the congestion in the charge office and leave that staff free for other duties, the office will provide a means of fingerprinting Constable Cornish, whose injuries preclude his returning to his former work with the department.

Construction of the office off the main lower corridor of the police building will cost an estimated $200.

The suggestion was put forward by Acting Chief Constable John Blackstock after consultation with Chief of Police J. A. McLellan, who is recovering from serious injuries in hospital.

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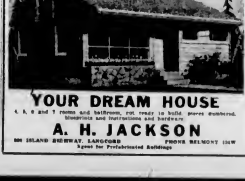

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More Than 100 Gifts Distributed To Kiwanians at Christmas Frolic

TWELVE large turkeys and an additional 89 gifts were distributed to members of the Victoria Kiwanis Club at the Empress Hotel yesterday as the organization marked its annual Christmas frolic program.

Gifts included silverware, dishware, glassware, roasters, an electric iron, men's sets, paints, scrips, and a number of household and workshop effects.

members Eric Day and Sam Hill, assisted by Arthur Roberts.

Turkey winners were Walter M. Walker, Ed Mallek, Reginald Harris, Dr. W. Hackney, Harold M. Diggon, Ralph Matthews, Daryl Spence, Dr. Ernest Hall, A. Carrothers, Arthur Ash, E. S. Farr and Glen Hope.

Compulsory Health Insurance Asked Immediately by Saanich

Reeve E. C. Warren, of Saanich, last night appointed a special committee of three councillors to interview the Provincial Government, with members of the regional board of Vancouver Island hospitals, in an effort to bring into effect immediately some form of compulsory health insurance.

Action was taken by the Saanich Council last night after a plea for financial assistance on behalf of the Royal Jubilee Hospital had been made by Councillor J. L. Hobbs, who is also chairman of the hospital board of directors.

The council refused to consider providing any for "or thereafter" to the hospital following statements by several councillors and the reeve that the answer to the hospital problem not increased grants but a health insurance scheme.

Councillor Hobbs, whose motion for an immediate grant of $5,000 was lost for want of a seconder, said the council that unless immediate financial aid was forthcoming, the hospital would be forced to curtail a part of its services or close a portion of the institution.

Admitting that the system under which the hospital was financed was "not right," Councillor Hobbs nevertheless paid high tribute to the generosity of the municipalities towards the institution, "particularly the City of Victoria."

"What we would have done without the recent $30,000 grant from the City of Victoria I do not know," he said.

Members of the committee are Councillors L. H. Passmore, John Oliver and Thomas Alexander.

Agent-General Sends Reply On Gown Idea

Request that the suggestion to have Princess Elizabeth's wedding gown displayed in Canada to raise funds for sending food parcels overseas be put in more official form has been made by Norman Robertson, Canadian High Commissioner in London.

In a letter to Mayor Percy E. George yesterday, W. A. McAdam agent general for British Columbia quoted Mr. Robertson as stating "The suggestion raises issue of nation-wide interest which should be considered by the appropriate Canadian authorities. I am sure you will appreciate that it would be difficult to put forward the suggestion here except in a move of the final and concrete form."

Mr McAdam suggested the mayor refer the idea to the Department of External Affairs. He also enclosed a newspaper clipping which said that Princess Elizabeth would have no objection to having her dress copied for exhibition in Great Britain and the Dominions.

OLD AND NEW

The first hand-made food cans were turned out at the rate of 60 containers per day, modern canmaking machinery produces up to 400 a minute.

Canada's Atomic Energy Plant Shown in Film for First Time

The National Film Board's new film, "Eye Witness," is now available each month to service clubs, lodges boards of trade, farm organizations, women's clubs, educational institutions and trade unions, E. Belton, representative of the film board here, announced yesterday.

First issue, out in January, will contain the first pictures ever taken of Canada's atomic energy plant at Chalk River, Ont., plus a pictorial record of the visit to South Africa of the Canadian Trade Mission.

"Eye Witness" differs from the ordinary newsreel as it contains items of general interest rather than sensational news stories, Mr. Belton said. Running time is ten minutes.

A sample issue of the new film is at present available without charge.

Arrest, Night in Jail Net Man $103 Report to Police Commission Shows

The story of how a city police sergeant and a constable unwittingly assisted a forger in committing a crime was brought out at a meeting of the Victoria Police Commission yesterday.

According to a report submitted of Police John Blackstock the "comedy of errors" started when a man was arrested one night and housed at the police station on a charge of intoxication.

Being unable to give his name coherently the man was charged under a name on a Workmen's Compensation Board cheque which was the only means of identification he carried.

The next morning in city police court he was convicted on the intoxication charge and fined $10, still under the name on the cheque.

Later in the afternoon the man requested and was given permission to cash the cheque and pay the fine. However, as personnel of the office were unusually busy at the time the usual procedure of taking the man to the bank to cash his own cheque was not followed. Acting Chief in the event the commission found Blackstock said. Instead, a constable the sergeant acted within the bound was detailed to take the cheque to of his duty the city would be responsible for the loss.

The matter was tabled by the commission for further study.

The constable signed the cheque after its endorsation by the prisoner

of $112.92, from which the $10 fine was taken and the remainder turned over to the prisoner on his release. A time later the department was informed the cheque had been stolen from its rightful payee and that the bank had made restitution to the Workmen's Compensation Board.

The bank now seeks redress from the two police officers. It was stated City solicitor A. J. Patton was called into the discussion by the police commission yesterday and informed that body that from a strictly legal standpoint the bank could claim compensation from the constable whose signature guaranteed the identity of the endorser. However, Mr Patton noted, the constable was acting under orders of a superior officer, and liability or lessnity, had believed he was doing his duty.

The question of whether the sergeant was acting in the course of his duty in ordering the constable to cash the cheque was a matter of policy for the commission to decide, the solicitor said. He added that

Defer Request Of Esquimalt

A request from Esquimalt for the services of City Police Constable Brooke Douglas to assist in organizing a school patrol system in that municipality at a police commission meeting yesterday, was left in the hands of Acting Chief John Blackstock for a report.

The commission felt that it would be impossible to set a precedent by allowing the constable to work free of charge for another municipality.

Such action would open the way open for other municipalities to apply for the same concession, Mayor Percy E. George commission chairman, pointed out. He said that in his opinion Constable Douglas' services should be provided, but that payment should be made and transportation provided.

"We do not want to give anything away to other municipalities. They don't give anything to us," commented Commissioner B. J. Gadsden.

The question of a specialist being developed by the police and the services then being requested by other departments shows a desire for amalgamation at least of the police forces of Greater Victoria, Mayor George declared.

Municipal Briefs Of the District

Business and Professional Women's Club has sent a $100 cheque to the Mayor's Fund. An accompanying letter said the club had represented the proceeds from a concert.

Man Planning Ice Seat, Swim

Kribner Heximan, 318-period Armenian, announced yesterday that he intends to sit an 7,000 pounds of ice in the Inner Harbor Sunday and then go for a swim.

"It is too bad here," he explained, "and I like to feel comfortable."

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Victoria Veteran at 78 Repays D.V.A. Pension

A 78-year-old Victoria veteran of the South African and Great Wars, who recently inherited a considerable sum of money, has squared his account with the Department of Veterans' Affairs.

Recipient of about $2,700 in burial pension for the last 10 years the aged veteran decided he would like to reimburse the Treasury for the amount it had paid out to him. The veteran, who prefers to remain anonymous, wrote to the D.V.A. through his local solicitor explaining his situation.

Replying, the department pointed out that the burial-out pension was a grant, not a loan and that the department felt he did not owe the money.

Shortly after, the D.V.A. received a certified cheque for the exact amount the veteran had been paid over the ten-year period. It has been deposited in the name of the Receiver-General.

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Legs Lamb, per lb.	59c	Shoulder Roast, per lb.	37c
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Ox Tongue, per lb. 32c Real Liver, per lb. 29c

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Pensions for Wounds

The Legionary, the organ of the Canadian Legion, B.E.S.L., made a good point, when editorially it asked recently why Canada had not adhered to the spirit and the intention of war pension regulations promulgated in 1916, respecting men who had fought in the Great War. There is very small excuse at this date for reducing the pension of any war veteran whose service was thirty or more years ago, and who now must be of the age of fifty or more. Men who have carried war wounds for that length of time are not likely to recover from them now, and living for them has been difficult enough in all conscience.

Seeing the same facts, The Legionary says, in part, this:

"There is no denying that the tragedy (the Ottawa shooting) focuses attention on unsatisfactory aspects of pension administration policy under which disability pensioners of the Great War can have their pensions reduced as a result of medical re-assessment—a policy which the Canadian Legion has condemned on many occasions.

"During the month of October the Canadian Pension Commission, according to a public statement, re-examined 399 Great War veterans. Of these, 215 were continued in their pensions, 171 had their pensions increased, and 13 had their pensions reduced. But why any reduction at all when, as far back as 1916, a policy was developed by the Pension Commission and promulgated to its pension medical examiners throughout the country which was designed to eliminate the periodical call-ups of veterans of the Great War for the purpose of checking up on their pensionable condition? According to the direction then issued, the periodical examinations were to be discontinued except in those cases where there was a substantial probability that there had been an increase in the disability. . . .

"Clearly the intention of the above policy was to do away altogether with reduction in Great War pensions. That being the case, and bearing in mind that the average age of the pensioners is now 59, it may well be asked why the spirit of the Commission's direction of 1936 is not being carried out at the present time, especially when the increased cost of living has hit these men harder than it has any other class of Canadian citizens."

City Roads

One of the first and most essential tasks facing the incoming civic administration in Victoria will be the reconstruction and improvement of those main arteries over which the new transportation system will have to be operated. One has heard much of estimates of the cost of this work as in the neighborhood of $2,000,000. It is far more likely to be double that under modern conditions and needs. The salient fact is that the roads must be put in order to withstand heavy and continuous traffic; such traffic in fact as were part of Linden Avenue to rubble inside of three months in the Spring of the year. The replacement cost of this is known.

By the terms of the new franchise offer it is the municipality, and not the operating concern, that becomes responsible for the upkeep of the thoroughfare. There is a difference. To cite an outside point, formerly snowplows operating on street car rails keep the town free at such times, infrequent as they were, as snowfall interrupted a blockade. Now that obligation will rest with the City, and in time snowplows will have to be added to the City's own yards. Before the unusual is reached, however, every driving surface that is to carry sustained and heavy traffic will need to be put in shape to do so. A brief glance about the commonwealth will show that this task will prove to be a major one.

Beyond the confines of the city, the district municipalities will face the same problem in so far as their own arteries are concerned; for the transit network will extend directly to the three-and-a-half-mile limit, exclusive of feeder lines running beyond that. An early and a vigorous start will be needed on both counts.

Need for Hope

A United Nations bulletin makes a pertinent point when it says that as an organization that hoped to do little which its 57 member nations do not wish or order it to do. Many people forget that. They think the world peace organization should be able to wave a wand and change the course of human conduct overnight. That, of course, is not possible. So long as important member Governments continue to disagree on certain problems, the United Nations as an entity will be unable to accomplish more than partial success. Probably this should be remembered more clearly when assessing the work of the international body.

The bulletin also points out with justification that the record to date is not too discouraging. Although the United Nations is now two years old, 1947 was really the first operational year; 1946 being taken up largely with organizational problems. In many ways the organization made itself felt as a new force in world affairs. Definite steps were taken in connection with Palestine, Greece and Indonesia. Measures to lower tariff walls were invoked; beneficial relief was given to distressed areas and underprivileged children; world food shortages were combatted; and progress made in rehabilitating displaced persons.

It is often forgotten that auxiliary agencies of the United Nations are active in many fields. Details of its accomplishments in the world's efforts to banish war and to establish lasting peace. If these latter have not made the progress generally hoped for, there is the fact that the United Nations was created to ensure and maintain peace, not to make it, and no peace has so far been made. Nor can peace come until the major powers, not primarily the member nations as a whole, are able to reach a common ground unfortunately not yet in sight.

In reviewing the United Nations, it would be well to refrain from cynicism. The maxim about tree grating while there is life is still applicable. Certainly if there were no United Nations organization there would be even greater apprehension in many quarters than there is. The United Nations may not be the only agency by which nations may learn to live in amity with one another, but it is undoubtedly the most promising that exists. No member state is liable to withdraw idly and thus brand itself as opposed to the search for world peace. In that circumstance alone there is room for a certain degree of hope, no matter how troubled the international skies may at times appear.

Bravado

Report has it that Tojo is looking forward to his appearance as a witness when he takes the stand in his own defence. It is the intention that led him to attempt suicide in order to avoid capture has apparently evaporated. By a process perhaps known only to the Japanese mind, the examination of his fellow defendants is said to have reinforced his confidence. Bravado is one of the qualities the world has learned to expect from totalitarians; that, and the bland pretence that one's opponents are plotting what one intends to effect first. That attitude has won very great applause in recent years, however, as Tojo is apt to learn with some bluntness.

It is the former Japanese war lord's contention seemingly that Japan fought only in self-defence. What a multitude of sins this plea has been designed to cover since the Axis war leaders went on trial. Tojo will have to be much more adroit than even his best friends, if he has one left, might wish if he hopes to make headway along that Hot Potato Harbor as too great a monument to overreaching ambition and deriet for it to be dismissed, or even regarded for a moment as other than a deliberate attack on a peaceful neighbor. If Tojo really believes it, this defence there still exists a yawning gap between the Oriental and Western mind.

On the other hand, Tojo may be manifesting a common though perverted characteristic, that which enjoys the limelight even under the shadow of the gallows. Did he know it he is badly mistaken about this also. The world is not now particularly interested in Tojo. They are too many and too important things to think about these days. When he stands in the dock he will be in his proper place, and people generally are confident he will receive his just deserts in a fair trial.

Ah, Peace!

To a restless, argumentative world, with a penchant for carrying chips on its shoulder there has been granted one positive boon for Christmas: The Seminole Indians are about to declare peace upon the United States of America! For a hundred years, their chief has said, the Seminoles, living in the Everglades of Florida, have been at war with their pale face brothers. They are "disturbed"—in a truly sensible fashion—by ignoring the white man completely. It is idle, however, to carry a war too far. It does its points and people forget why it was started. So at least thinks the Seminole Chief, who is about to call a Council of the Braves together, line up a peace treaty—and return to New York to finish the holiday after a good day's work for humanity. This, another American Christmas, surely can not be without its moral effect on the Continent of Europe!

Seen in Passing

There is probably not much in human existence that will match the affection and gratitude of a dog for little enough in the way of human care and attention. Dogs have been faithful to their masters setting them an example to shame the whole species.

What About Today?

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But what have we done today?
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We shall lift the heart and dry the tear,
We shall plant a hope in the place of fear,
We shall speak with words of love and cheer,
But have we done so today?

We shall be so kind in the after-while,
But when have we been kind?
We shall bring to each lonely life a smile,
But what have we brought today?

We shall give to truth a grander birth,
And to manhood fairer a deeper worth,
We shall help the hungering souls of earth,
But whom have we helped today?

—AUTHOR UNKNOWN.

Martyrdom, sir, is the only way in which a man can become famous without ability.

—SHAW.

The Third Column

By TOM TAYLOR

GOLDEN PUFFS

When you puff your way through a cigarette or a pipe of tobacco do you ever think of yourself as a patriot? Not likely, yet you have some right to claim this distinction. For two-thirds of the smoke in this National Treasury.

It is a fact that our other industry means so much to the collector of revenue that the $250 dollars spent by Canadians last year on tobacco the Government took a cool $200 dollars of that sum. Now if that doesn't disarm critics of the smoking habit seeing that their own pockets are thereby saved from further inroads by the tax-gatherer, even though indirectly, nothing will.

Sometimes a smoker has fun blowing smoke through his nose, but there's really no fun when you pay through the nose to this extent.

Treasury officials are rubbing their hands with even more glee this year, as at the end of June some 7,434,880,180 cigarettes had been produced, an appreciable jump over last year, so the smoke haze is more golden than ever.

They always smile, it seems, early in the Canada there was an attempt to ban smoking, but this was before revenue officers elected up on how James I of England filled his empty pockets. He would have liked to suppress the habit, also, but he was too canny, so he instead he invoked an earlier tax.

WORTH PRESERVED

It has a noble precedent. Ottawa tax-gatherers pounced on the earlier and at Confederation time smokers were contributing more than $240,000 out of a total national revenue of $14,000,000.

The radio, as you know if you are a listener, has gone up considerably since then.

"There's another bright gleam that should gladden the national exchequer: the habit seems to be growing of the ways of precious American dollars."

That is what's worrying Australia at the moment. Away down there the smokers are turning up in droves at home-grown cigarettes. Of the 23 million pounds of tobacco produced in Australia last year only one-eighth comes out of native soil. And plagued by the world shortage of United States dollars official Australia hates spending even-and-a-half minutes of them for imported tobacco.

ALREADY HAVE SOME

There are two reasons for this. The soil is poor for the purpose, although some farmers have been trying to grow tobacco for a century, but so far the venture has been more or less an agricultural flop. Along among the Dominions Australia seems unlike its cousin Canada to urge share of her own requirements

Hormone Study May Reveal Cancer Secret

NEW HAVEN, Dec. 16 (AP) — By sabotage of this living factories, Yale University scientists are learning more about how and why some types of cancer get started.

The factories are glands which test amounts of hormones, chemicals that regulate many bodily activities and functions.

Good health depends upon nasty fissure of just the right amounts of these hormones either in steady output or well-regulated cycles.

Cancer investigators have long known that injections of certain hormones could bring on cancer in animals by upsetting the balance of hormone production.

The Yale investigators are trying to discover exactly what the normal hormone balance is in animals, and what happens when that balance is upset. The knowledge later may benefit humans.

Prices Jumped By Smuggling

SHANGHAI Dec. 16 (AP) — The sill and dying in Shanghai may have to pay twice the price for drugs which sell at standard prices in the United States and Canada.

Reasons are the ease of storing and smuggling drugs, the avid legal and illegal trade in them, and the hand all these the Government's important restrictions aimed at conserving foreign exchange.

A vial of streptomycin selling for $4 retail in the United States wholesales here for about $80,000 in Chinese currency (or about $13 at the official rate of exchange — still higher on the black market).

There are risks. Smugglers have no protection against confiscation or loss. Speculators have to operate carefully lest they upset their own market by dumping too much scarce medicine all at once.

India Official Now in Canada

India's permanent representative to International Civil Aviation Organization is Debabrata Chakravarti, civil aviation directorate, Government of India, seen in above picture with wife and daughter in Montreal.

Britain Spends Record Sum For Research

LONDON, Dec. 16 (Reuters) — Britain is spending more than £100,000,000 ($400,000,000) this year on scientific research—more than ever before in a single year.

Sir Stafford Cripps, Chancellor of the Exchequer, said in new methods of speeding up the export drive.

The government is devoting £60,000,000 to research and research work during the current financial year as well as giving special research grants to the universities, amounting to £11,000,000.

Industrial concerns are spending £30,000,000 on new developments based on a survey made by the Federation of British Industries.

These figures represent in some fields of research a 10-fold expansion compared with Britain's pre-war effort and the amount of work carried out would have been even larger but for the shortage of scientific manpower.

Western Powers May Benefit From London Parley Failure

By J. M. ROBERTS, JR.
A.P. News Analyst

The issue of diplomatic habit coerced at Yalta and Potsdam has been forced upon it now again. Shortly the foreign ministers' council will be replaced by an e. other methods of speeding up the exports drive.

As a matter of fact, the practicability of any communication at all imminent at the hope of any government concerned, in its serious question.

As Foreign Minister Bidault of France said, it becomes obvious that the U.S.S.R.'s efforts no longer are aimed at peace.

If he refers to peace in the sense, that has been obvious to a great many people for more than two years. It was largely last night of during the war under the pressure of propaganda which overlooked everything except the urgency of defeating Hitler's axis.

All-out economic war between East and West now is the order of the day. One of the tragedies of the situation is that, just in the degree which this conflict may seem to be turning in favor of the West, so in that degree will be increased the possibility of more desperate measures by Russia.

There is no question about who won the Battle of London. It was the Western Allies handicapped until now by following the rules. Foreign Minister Molotov made one mistake which will go down in history. He freed the hands of the Allies in Western Germany. Now there can go ahead to make that area a powerful force in the drive for Western European recovery, and as outpost for future use in whatever form of conflict the Russians choose.

With rehabilitation of the industry in Western Germany it will be more and more difficult for Russia to maintain the barriers which she has attempted to throw up between Eastern and Western Europe. The two Russia and the western allies and other Russian satellites to resume their natural economic affinities will be great.

Canadian Arts to Share In Olympiad Next Year

TORONTO Dec. 16 (CP) — The Ontario Arts which in the past five years brought to Canada by Vancouver's Dorothy Perry Williams, and in the Ethel Stubbs Island Idyll Cutler-sport.

Only works completed after January 1, 1944, are eligible. Mr. Currie

Although the return of the Dominion athletes, Canadian art architecture music sculpture and literature will share the spotlight at the 1948 Olympiad in London, it was announced today by John Coates, public relations counsel of the Canadian Art Council.

Canada's entry into the cultural competitions of the Olympics is not born jewelry store, police stated. Apparently no one saw the theft.

FARTIGAS SAY FLEET

LOS ANGELES Dec. 16 (AP) — Doctors and fairies short earthquake tremors were felt in Los Angeles early today. The California highway patrol said the earthquake occurred at 1:03 a.m.

GLASGOW, Scotland (CP) — Lord Macmillan, 78, has resigned from the office of Lord Justice Clerk of Scotland because of ill health.

Slogan Aiding In Recovery Of U.K. Morale

LONDON Dec. 16 (CP) — Britons recovering from many shortages are spreading a new slogan "Blitz taking success," inspired by a newspaper and hailed by wage-earner and boss, housewife and politician.

With that jaunty earthquake reversing the depressingly stark and familiar "We Work or We Want" The London News Chronicle touched off the first major postwar campaign to raise both spirits and production frankly appealing for fun as well as making things hum.

What the country needs, the newspapers said in its headline is a national square-up-and-go with production weeks and production days "in a big way and a modest way."

Let us create in the people a mood of cheerful confidence and the conviction that their personal contribution to the production drive is indispensable to national recovery.

A leading BBC commentator gave the drive, asserting "We must raise morale sky high and we must not forget any section of the community." Certainly not the businessmen he emphasized, who "in many ways are doing the biggest job of all."

The Lancashire cotton industry and the Yorkshire wooden industry, two of the country's most important ones, chimed in with promise of support and the offer to send representative employees to a national success. Christmas bell in London's huge Royal Albert Hall.

BRIGHTON, England (CP) — Two of the minarets of the Royal Pavilion here are in danger of falling off.

Jewelry Stolen From Shop Window

NEW WESTMINSTER Dec. 16 (CP) — A tray containing 12 to 14 rings, valued at $4,000 was stolen from the window of a downtown jewelry store, police stated.

Women as Firemen Not Impossibility

OTTAWA, Wednesday Dec. 16 (CP) — There was some insinuation today that the "new look" soon may be seen about another heretofore male-dominated

Attorney-General Abbott, Trey informed State Auditor Cliff Tyle that there was no prohibition in state statutes barring women from joining volunteer fire departments

Women fire fighters would be entitled to the benefits provided by the Washington Volunteer Firemen's Relief and Pension Act, he said, adding that as far as he knew no women now were members of departments but that he had been asked if they were eligible to join

Children Storm Studio For B.B.C. Radio Sleuth

LONDON, Dec. 16 (CP) — Dick Barwell, 10, no Barton Isotelle, 9, and son, special agent and wholesale apologize for a technical error smasher of foreign plots who regularly teaches Scotland Yard a thing or two to the spine-tingling adventures of 18,000,000 youngsters—and him!

Wrists happened, is he in a many asked harassed BBC telephone operators. "Can we save time of 18,000,000 youngsters—and him!" queried others. All telephone adults—lost his first case last night lines to the BBC were jammed The results were dramatic.

His millions of fans who nightly switch on their radios to hear crashing chords, heard instead a suitably sad-voiced announcer say. "There is wasn't funny because at his last appearance Dick, wrongfully suspected of murder, had been followed to a house by the police and as the episode ended an ominous knocking sounded on the door.

But the explanation of the whole thing was elementary. The gramophone reproducer refused to reproduce at the crucial moment.

TO GIVE REPORT

WASHINGTON Dec. 16 (AP) — State Secretary Marshall plans a report to the United States Friday night on failure of the Big Four Foreign Ministers' conference to reach agreement on a European peace settlement. State Department officials said tentative arrangements are for a 20-minute radio address to begin probably at 6 p.m. P.S.T.

Youngster 'Sorry' For Killing Sister

LAS ANIMAS, Colo. Dec. 16 (AP) — Twelve-year-old Jiggles Melton said today he was "very inside" about the slaying of his sister Phyllis Marie, 16, whom he has said he shot because "she was always nagging at me."

The freckled-face schoolboy, however, manifested little emotion over the shooting. The bespectacled girl was shot five times last night as she sat wrapping Christmas presents in the family living room close by a time-bling evergreen.

Police said the boy signed a statement that he aimed himself with his father's 22-calibre rifle and fired five shots at his sister.

The owl cannot see in total darkness.

Factory to Build Aerocars Started

LONGVIEW Wash. Dec. 16 (AP) — Construction of the first unit of a factory to build a "flying automobile" is under way here by a firm organized as Aerocar Industries.

M. B. Taylor, aeronautical engineer and ex-navy commander, said the two-place flying automobile he has designed featured fold-back wings that can be stored in a trailer towed behind the car. The automobile portion of the vehicle will carry three persons when operated on highways.

Navigation Ends On Great Lakes

PORT ARTHUR, Dec. 16 (CP) — Total grain shipments from the lakehead during the navigation period just ended amounted to 355,945,657 bushels, the statistics branch of the Board of Grain Commissioners announced today.

The shipping season ended Monday at midnight, the last two ships sailing with light cargos Sunday.

The statistics branch also reported a total of 278,207,363 bushels of grain delivered from Prairie elevators to Lakehead terminals from January 1, 1947, to December 13.

Customs department figures showed 2,294 vessels entered the Lakehead while 2,218 departed during the last-completed season. Unofficial figures for last year fixed departures around 1,590.

Navigation's close this year was the latest since 1937. A breakdown of the total amount of grain shipped from the big year showed 187,881,738 bushels of wheat, 46,343,078 bushels of oats, 29,827,375 bushels of barley and 8,878,902 bushels of rye.

Oddities

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 16 (AP)—Farmers added a new chore to their activities today—helping wave a truckload of live eels.

When a faulty valve released water in the tank truck, en route to Boston, the driver pulled up at fire headquarters and related his trouble. Firemen obliged with a transfusion from a nearby hydrant.

BOSTON, Dec. 16 — Because he minor that emanated from the apartment of a singing teacher, Mrs. Emilio Epposito Giardini, lacked license to south her next-door neighbor Court Judge Samuel Eisenstaedt went to the apartment door of the two women today and listened.

Mrs. Corinne Wurtz had complained that the sounds were "unreasonable, loud, disturbing and unnecessary noises."

Mr. Giardini denied it was so. Judge Eisenstaedt sat in Mrs. Wurtz apartment and listened to Professor John L. Davy who warbled a few scales in the Giardini apartment.

Back at the courthouse, Judge Eisenstaedt found the teacher innocent but advised her to stop giving lessons in her room.

NEWARK, N.J., Dec. 16 (AP)—A police patrol who can converse in either English or Italian, was reported safely yesterday from the home of Walter T. White.

His owner informed police that the bilingual bird would be easily identifiable by its extensive vocabulary, mainly all of which—neither in English nor Italian—includes dirty swear words.

ATLANTA, Dec. 16 (AP) — A defendant charged with failing to pay a $6.20 laundrymen bill pleaded with Recorder A. W. Calloway for time to obtain the money.

"Where will you get it, asked Calloway.

"Would you mind loaning it to me, Judge" the defendant asked.

Calloway looked dumbfounded but reached in his billfold and gave the man seven dollars.

"Pay the man," the recorder said, "and don't forget to repay me Saturday."

NAME CANDIDATE

VANCOUVER, Dec. 16 (CP) — Charles A. Thomas of Prince George, has been nominated by the provincial C.C.F. as its candidate in the forthcoming provincial by-election in Cariboo, Secretary Frank McKenzie announced tonight.

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Social and Personal

A gay round of pre-Christmas parties have been arranged this week including those to be given by Mr. J. Leo Callanan, United States Consul, and Mrs. Callanan in the private reception room at the Union Club on Thursday; on the same afternoon Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Wallace will be hostess at an after tea party at their home on Beach Drive and on Friday Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Mainwaring, Rockland Avenue, will entertain at a cocktail party, to be followed by a buffet supper for 14 when their guests will include Rear Admiral and Mrs. Mark-Kerr, 1175 Old Esquimalt Road, will entertain at an after tea party and Commander R. A. Weber, Commander-in-Chief of Pacific Command, and Mrs. Webber are entertaining Sunday noon at their home, H.M.C. Dockyard.

Miss Pata Hertzberg will arrive from McGill University Montreal, on Friday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Maj.-General and Mrs. H. F. H. Hertzberg and to attend her sister, Miss Dagmar Hertzberg, as maid of honor at her marriage to Mr. John Nairn-Smith on Saturday.

Mrs. Preston Locke will arrive on Thursday from Pasadena, California, and will be a guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Mainwaring for the holiday season. Mr. and Mrs. Mainwaring will also have as guests next week the latter's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Latta and their three children from Seattle, their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Tyson of Britannia Beach, and their son, Mr. Donald Mainwaring from Vancouver.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Moore, Beach Drive, accompanied by their two children, Dick and Corinne, will leave on Friday for Los Angeles where they will spend the Christmas and New Year's holiday with Mrs. Moore's brother, Dr. D. P. Pegram. They expect to be away about two weeks.

The engagement is announced of Eva Mary, only daughter of the late Mr. A. R. Price and Mrs. Price of Oangan Harbor, B.C., to Major Gerald L. Bullock Campe, nominee son of Mr. Percy O. M. Bullock of Wadhurst, Sussex, England, and the late Mrs. Bullock.

Mrs. George Guy was re-elected president of the Victoria West United W.M.S. at the December meeting held recently, with all other officers being returned to office. Mrs. L. Jackson was in charge of installation and officers included: Hon. M. Beattie, honorary president, Mrs. L. A. Young, first vice-president, Mrs. Hicks, second vice-president, Mrs. K. Campbell, third vice-president, Mrs. H. Croft, fourth vice-president, Mrs. Smith, recording secretary, Mrs. F. Rees, corresponding secretary and Mrs. G. Newell treasurer. Others elected included: Mrs. K. Campbell, Mrs. Hicks, Mrs. William Caley, Mrs. Riquebraw, Mrs. G. Mitchell, Mrs. H. Watson, Mrs. Gainsborough, Mrs. G. W. Collins and Miss M. Beattie. Mrs. McKenzie of the Presbyterian was in charge of the devotional period and Mrs. Orvin, Presbyterian president, was guest speaker.

A miscellaneous shower honoring Miss Barbara Vowell, a December bride-elect, was given recently by her future sister-in-law, Mrs. Richard Berry, at her home on Foul Bay Road. Little Carol-Ann and David Berry brought in the pretty girls in H.M.C.S. Hoarymoon. The guests were Mrs. G. A. Vowel, Mrs. M. Mottershead, Mrs. J. Bearle, Mrs. J. DeMott, Miss Marguerite Ramann and Miss Vivian Berry.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bagshaw arrived yesterday afternoon from Hamilton, Ont., with their elder son, Mr. Howard Bain Bagshaw whose marriage to Miss Gloria Arnott takes place on Saturday evening.

Mrs. H. R. Tayler and Miss M. King were hostesses at a pre-Christmas party yesterday afternoon in the Elizabethan room at the Empress Hotel. Five tables of bridge were in play and there were additional guests at the party. Mrs. B. McMasters and Mrs. P. Davidson presided at the candlelit table which was attractive in centrepieces in keeping with the festive season.

Last evening Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Arnott, 2781 Dewdney Avenue, entertained at a family dinner party in honor of their daughter, Miss Gloria Arnott and her fiance, Mr. Howard B. Bagshaw, and the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Bagshaw of Hamilton, Ont.

Couple Sign Register Following Marriage Here

H. Calmer photo, Victoria

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. J. Featherstone, who were married at St. Barnabas' Church yesterday afternoon, are pictured signing the register following the ceremony.

Victoria-Born Pianist Scores With Recital

The unusually small audience which heard Pauline Cook Taylor, Victoria-born pianist in recital last evening in the Empress Hotel ballroom had a rare treat. Miss Taylor is a brilliant artist, who played the Beethoven Appassionata Sonata, Opus 57, manifestly

It is seldom indeed that such tremendous power is coupled with such complete control. At no time did the mighty music escape the grasp of this young performer, whose technique is superb. She is one of the rare women pianists who can hammer the heralds and sweep of Beethoven, taking her listeners with her into another world, that of pure beauty and glory.

For her opening group she chose the lovely Sheep May Safely Graze by Bach, arranged by Peter Hess from the complete musicianship of Miss Taylor was in evidence. In the second Bach number, the "Prelude and Fugue in D Minor" arranged by Busoni, the organ-like quality of the music was emphasized.

Following a short intermission, three Chopin numbers were given. The Etude Opus 25 (No. 5), the "Waltz, Opus 64 (No. 2), and the Ballade in F Minor. These served to show the scope of the artist's musicianship. They were played with a clear, crisp phrasing which was most pleasing.

For her modern group, there about Shostakovich preludes, were brilliantly played. The second one, in F flat Minor is full of technical fireworks and requires a great deal of the performer. Hearty applause was given at its conclusion.

The final group was "Du Bist Die Ruh" by Schubert-Liszt and a spirited rendering of Liszt's "Hungarian Rhapsodie No 12." An extra, the "Romance" by Schumann, and Chopin's "Waltz in E Minor" were played.

It is sincerely to be hoped that in some time in the very near future this talented artist will come to Victoria where many more of the music lovers of the city will avail themselves of the privilege of hearing the piano as he should be interpreted.

Snowball Frolic On Boxing Day

Under the convenership of Mrs. Graham Harris, plans for the annual Snowball Profit, to be held on Boxing Day December 26 have been completed.

The Snowball, under the auspices of the Bolarium Junior League has become recognized as one of the social highlights of Victoria's Winter season. Len Acres orchestra featuring talented young Jolly Reyes as vocalist, will furnish the music for dancing from 8 till 1 in the main ballroom of the Empress Hotel. An attractive Winter-wonderland theme has been arranged and will appear throughout the decorations. A floor show with pupils of Wynne Shaw's Dancing School will appear in a skater's waltz number.

Assisting Mrs Harris, committee members are Mrs J. H. Allison Mrs D McMaster and Mrs D. R. Monk.

Well-Known Couple Wed At St. Barnabas' Church

At a candlelight ceremony held in St. Barnabas' Church yesterday afternoon, Canon Michael Coleman read the nuptial service uniting in marriage Mrs. Molly Georgina Vale, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Colin R. Mackenzie of Inverness, Scotland and Reginald Frank John Featherstone, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Featherstone, 1366 Rockland Avenue, and the late Captain R. B. Featherstone.

The fair-haired bride, given in marriage by her uncle, Captain J. B. Acland, was lovely in a period gown of platinum silver gray satin featuring full skirt, off the shoulder neckline and cowl hood lined with dark cyclamen chiffon velvet. On her grey satin muff, edged with velvet of the same shade, was a corsage of cyclamen.

Miss Christine Mackenzie was her sister's only attendant, wearing a period gown of dark cyclamen chiffon velvet with matching elbow length mitts and Juliette cap. To complete her ensemble she carried an arm bouquet of deep pink chrysanthemums.

Mr. Donald D. Waitte was best man while Mr. J. M. Lindsay, Mr. P. D. Sills, Mrs. W. Blanbury and Mr. L. Knoop ushered the guests to their seats.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the Victoria Golf Club where Mrs. J. B. Acland, the bride's aunt, and Mrs. Featherstone received the guests.

Later the couple left to spend a honeymoon at Timberline St. Lodge and, travelling in a powder-blue dress and hat, silver grey accessories and grey squirrel coat.

Upon their return Mr. and Mrs. Featherstone will reside at 2281 Woodlawn Crescent.

Pretty Wedding At First United

At a wedding, solemnized at the First United Church vestry on Monday, December 8, Joyce, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. I. Warner, Melville, Sask. became the bride of George Kenneth, second son of Mrs. Less Hall Niagara Street, with Rev. Hugh McLeod officiating.

The bride, who was escorted by her brother, Mr. Lawrence Warner, was charming in an afternoon dress of teal green with brown accessories. A corsage of yellow chrysanthemums completed her ensemble.

Mrs. L. Warner sister-in-law, of the bride was matron of honor while Miss Bernice Warner sister of the bride was bridesmaid both wearing grey with black and rose accessories. Their corsages were red carnations and white chrysanthemums.

Mr. Robert Baldwin was best man.

A reception was held at the home of the groom's mother following the ceremony.

Leaving for a honeymoon on Galiano Island the bride wore a maroon gabardine suit tan topcoat and corsage of yellow chrysanthemums.

Following the honeymoon they will reside at 1366 Rockland Avenue.

Parksville News

The Women's Institute is not a money-making project, it is here to improve conditions of rural life, Mrs. E. Tryon told members and guests Wednesday afternoon assembled at the annual meeting in the parish hall. The meeting welcomed Mrs. Tryon home from a trip abroad to a delegate to the A.C.W.W. in Amsterdam.

During the past year the Parksville Institute raised funds by selling drives, a social, a summer tea and some of the grower's mother's Market, the proceeds of which went in donations to the Queen Alexandra Bolarium, the Memorial Pool the Oceanside Fall Fair, Tern Tower as well as a collection of rags for the Nanaimo Hospital and the Mission.

Following the business meeting Mrs. Tryon gave a resume of her activities as one of three delegates from British Columbia to the World conference where 500 delegates represented 15 countries.

Mrs. Tryon said, Mrs. Tryon said, "While Gift Sunday," by present-ing white wrapped packages to Rev. C. P. B. Price, priest in charge, gave greetings and the reception gifts for children in Northern Ontario, Canada received was deafening cheers of Saskatchewan. The happy Dutch still remember the Canadians as liberators and the graves little ceremony was under the direction of the superintendent, K. of the Canadian fallen are beautifully kept.

Vicar Hopes Act Of 1790 in Force

LONDON, Dec. 13 (CP) — Rev. Frank Bishop, vicar of St. Olive Church, Camberwell, Surrey, has ideas about marriage which are a little out of date—and not popular with brides-to-be.

So much so that a bride he married Saturday said "If I had known his views I would not have let him marry me."

Asked what Mr. Bishop said in this month's issue of his parish magazine:

"By act of Parliament of 1790 all women of whatever age, profession or degree, whether virgin, maid or widow, that shall impose upon, seduce or betray into matrimony any of His Majesty's subjects by means of scents, paints, cosmetics, washes or artificial teeth, false hair, Spanish wool, iron stays, hoops, high-heeled shoes or bolster hips, shall incur the penalty of the laws now in force against witchcraft, and the marriage stands null and void.

Added the Vicar: "We very much hope the act is still in force."

But, said newly-wedded 22-year-old Joyce Ellis of Camberwell, whom Mr. Bishop married Saturday to George Kantor: "If I had never worn paint and lipstick, why, I didn't think George would have ever begun to mess me."

But courting couples need not worry—the act of 1790 no longer is in force.

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Engagements

The engagement is announced of Patricia Mary (Pat) only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Hoskins, Westview Powell River B.C. to Conrad Anthony (Tony), younger son of Mrs. Irene Brife, of Vancouver, and the late R. J. Brife, formerly of Courtenay and Victoria, V.I., and England. A quiet wedding is planned for the hour of 8 a.m., Sunday December 28, 1947, at Westview United Church Rev. A. C. Pound M.A. B.D., officiating.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace West, 506 Tait Street, announce the engagement of their youngest daughter, Ellen Gwendolyn, to Robert J. Merrie, third son of Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Merrie, 1463 Carey Road. The wedding will take place quietly, December 31.

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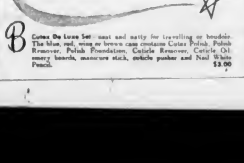

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Alan Young, Canada's own comedian who is winning friends and influencing people via the radio from Hollywood, Calif., gags for the cameraman when he dines in the Hollywood Brown Derby with two honeymooners from Victoria—Ronna Daliziel and his bride, the former Marguerite Hancock. Mr. Daliziel, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Daliziel of 1128 Topaz Avenue, Victoria, and Mrs. Daliziel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hancock of Victoria, were married in Victoria, October 18. They will return to Victoria in time for the Christmas holiday.

It's Stuffing That Does It

NOW that holiday time is here there are more calls for stuffing for turkey or other fowl, so let's take a refresher course in stuffings. They can make the difference between a savory dish and something that's been thrown together, potluck fashion. Here's a recipe that is a pleasant change from the overworked bread stuffing.

RICE STUFFING

1 cup diced celery
1 cup chopped onion
1-2 cup fat
1 cup cooked rice
2 tablespoons minced parsley
1 teaspoon poultry seasoning
1 teaspoon salt
½ cup water
3 cups oven-popped rice cereal

Brown celery and onion in fat, stir in rice, parsley, seasonings and water. Crush cereal into coarse crumbs, combine with rice mixture.

Yield: 3½ cups stuffing

THAT GRACIOUS TOUCH

There's something about food served in individual cups or bowls that lends a gracious touch to a meal, especially party meals. Whether it be a casserole dish or a pudding, if served individually, it adds charm to your table setting. And when a dish is a sweet one that doesn't require much sugar you'll want to try it. Here are a couple of puddings that score on both points.

CORN FLAKES INDIAN PUDDING

2 eggs
2 cups milk
¼ cup molasses
¼ teaspoon salt
1½ cups corn flakes
1 tablespoon melted butter

Beat eggs slightly, add milk, molasses and salt. Pour into baking dish and add corn flakes. Sprinkle with melted butter. Set baking dish in pan of hot water. Bake in slow (300° F.) about 1½ hours. Serve hot with cream if desired.

Yield: 6 servings.

CHOCO-FLAKE PUDDING INDIVIDUAL

2 egg yolks
1-3 cup sugar
¼ teaspoon salt
3 cups milk
¼ teaspoon vanilla
2 cups corn flakes.
2 egg whites
4 tablespoons sugar
¼ cup semi-sweet chocolate bits.

Beat egg yolks slightly, add in sugar, salt, milk and vanilla. Place corn flakes in custard cups, pour egg mixture over liquid. Set cups in pan of hot water and bake in slow oven (325° F.) about 45 minutes, or until custard is set. Remove from oven, cover with meringue made from stiffly beaten egg whites combined with sugar. Sprinkle chocolate bits over meringue. Return puddings to oven for about 15 minutes or until meringue is lightly browned. Set in pan of cold water to cool. Yield: 6-8 servings.

A CHRISTMAS WREATH YOU CAN EAT

Candy canes, chocolate rabbits—we all love holiday trimmings that are edible as well as decorative. Christmas wreaths and trees can easily be fashioned with a combination of semi-sweet or milk chocolate and all wheat flakes. The cereal stays crisp in the coating of chocolate. The result is a crunchy confection. Other edible trees can be made from a marshmallow-cereal combination.

CHOCO-SWEET CHRISTMAS WREATH

12 ounces (about 2½ cups) semi-sweet chocolate bits
2½ cups all wheat flakes
Candy decorations

Melt chocolate bits over hot but not boiling water. Add wheat flakes, mixing until well-coated with chocolate. Place spoonfuls of mixture on wax paper and with two forks shape into wreaths. Decorate with tiny red candles to represent berries or lights. After chocolate hardens tie with red ribbon bows.

Christmas Trees—Cut stick candy into three-inch lengths. Place a tablespoonful of mixture on top of stick candy and shape with two forks to form a Christmas tree, with one end of stick candy representing the tree trunk. Decorate with tiny colored candies to represent lights.

Variations: Two tablespoons grated orange rind or one-half cup raisins, chopped citron or coconut may be added to chocolate with cereal.

Quiet Ceremony At St. Barnabas'

At a quiet ceremony performed at St. Barnabas' Church on Tuesday evening by Rev. E. Munn, Barbara Jullienne, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Vowel, 75 Moss Street, and Peace River Alberta, was united in marriage with P.T. Instructor Thomas Martin Moutershead, R.C.N., Royal Roads, son of Mrs. M. Moutershead, Victoria.

The pretty bride, attired in an ice blue gabardine suit with black accessories and a corsage of red roses, was given in marriage by her mother in the absence of her father. Mrs. Vowel was gowned in grey crepe with black hat trimmed with blue, and wearing a corsage of pink carnations.

Attending the bride was Mrs. Richard Berry, sister of the groom, who wore a coral wool suit with gold and brown accessories and a corsage of white feather carnations and forget-me-nots.

The bridegroom had Mr. John Middleton as his best man.

A reception for 50 guests was held at Perry's restaurant. Mrs. Vowel and Mr. Moutershead assisted the young couple in receiving their friends. The gaily-decorated table was centred by the four-tiered cake. Mr. E. McIntyre, an old family friend, proposed the health of the bride. Leaving on the midnight boat for a honeymoon on the Mainland, the bride donned a fur coat over her wedding costume.

Mr. and Mrs. Moutershead will make their home in Victoria.

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Clubs and Societies

Carne Rebekah Lodge No. 41 will meet in the I.O.O.F. Hall, Douglas Street, December 18 at 7.30 p.m. sharp.

Rebekah Past Noble Grands Club will hold a Christmas party at Canadian Bank Hotel on Friday at 8 p.m.

The annual Christmas party of the Oxford P.-T.A. planned to be held today will not be held but the annual turkey draw will take place at the school children's party on Thursday, in the Community Hall.

A Christmas party will be held by members of the Overseas Wives Club on Wednesday evening at Y.W.C.A. at 8 o'clock, instead of the regular meeting. All members are invited to take a guest couple.

St. Luke's A.Y.P.A. met on Monday with the president, Douglas George, in the chair. Two new members were welcomed, Norah Draper and Earl Culpepper. Next week members are going carol singing and all are asked to meet at the hall at 7.30 p.m.

Second Colquitz Local Association met recently and it was decided to sponsor the Christmas meetings of the Guides and Brownies. Gifts of canned food for overseas were packed and shipped. Mrs. F. King, Divisional Commissioner, enrolled five Guides: Dorthy and Janice Woodward, Rita Helm, Kay Mannis and Beverley Woods. The next meeting will be on January 19 in Marigold Hall. The Daffodils were judged leaders.

Esquimalt W.M.S. met in the Sunday School rooms on Monday afternoon for a handbagging ceremony with Christmas carols. The officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: Mrs. E. King, president; Mrs. G. L. Gilliers, first vice-president and recording secretary; Mrs. W. Thompson, second vice-president and visiting committee; Mrs. H. Hughes, corresponding secretary; Mrs. A. P. Brick, treasurer. Mrs. P. D. Preston will entertain the auxiliary at her home for the January meeting.

"Gifts" was the theme chosen for the closing meeting of the year at a meeting of the Women's Union of First Baptist Church held recently. The nominating report was given by Mrs. M. Richardson. Mrs. George Bishop was elected president, Mrs. F. Robinson, secretary, Mrs. G. Johnston, corresponding secretary, Mrs. J. Mackay, treasurer. A presentation of life membership in the Baptist Union of Western Canada was presented to Mrs. H. Kyle. Mrs. R. Easter was in charge of the Christmas program.

To be healthy and happy, one must be fully occupied.

To Celebrate Golden Wedding

—Colonist Photo

MR. and Mrs. Richard Guest, 1818 Lillian Road, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary on December 20, when they will be at home to their friends from 2 to 4 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Guest were married in Holland Manitoba, in 1897 where they resided until 1945, at which time they came to Victoria to make their home.

They have nine children, Mr. Oscar Guest, Winnipeg; Mr. Cecil Guest, Vancouver; Mrs. Bob Page, Calgary; Mrs. Reginald Talt, Miami, Florida; Mrs. K. Harbur, Los Angeles; and Miss Viola Guest, Mr. Jim Guest, Mr. Gordon Guest and Mr. Clarence Guest in Victoria. There are ten grandchildren.

Chemainus News

December meeting of the Anglican W.A. Saint Michael and All Angels' Branch was held at the home of Mrs. A. Work, with Mrs. H. Work, as co-hostess. Mrs. J. McGahey will convene the sick and visiting committee for the next term, and Mrs. William Ferridge will attend to the altar. Members will decorate the church for the Christmas season on December 28. Rev. W. M. Lamb, of England, former vicar here, will be the new prayer partner for the branch.

Fifteen states in the United States require no automobile driving examination.

Okanagan Nativity To Be Presented

The first showing of the Okanagan Nativity will be held in the auditorium of the Arcade Building on Saturday, December 20 at 3.30 p.m. and 7.30 p.m. The play is being presented by the Victoria Junior Players under the direction of Miss Pearl Alerie.

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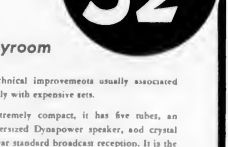

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Launch Huge Program For Scrapping Ships

Marine News

One of the largest ship-scrapping and reconversion projects ever undertaken in British Columbia will be launched next week with the arrival here of one of 14 R.C.N. frigates recently bought by a Victoria-Vancouver syndicate from War Assets Corporation.

The vessels are now located at Bedwell Bay — ship boneyard near Vancouver. First of the large group is due to reach Ogden Point early next week.

If suitable arrangements are made regarding docking space, it is possible all the former warships will be brought here within several weeks. In addition to the 14 frigates, the deal also includes a former Royal Canadian Navy Algerine-class minesweeper, H.M.C.S. *Bordo Cities*.

Principals in the two-city syndicate are M. L. Greene, Victoria, H. B. Wagner and I. Blein, both of Vancouver.

In an interview yesterday morning, Mr. Blein said some of the ships will be scrapped, while others will be reconverted. All work on the 15 ships will be done at Ogden Point docks.

It is possible a Victoria towing firm will be asked to bring the war-surplus craft to this port from the Mainland.

More than 50 men will be required to handle the scrapping and reconversion operations. How long on this job depends entirely on decisions made regarding what is to be done with each ship—scrapping or reconversion.

Most scrap steel and brass will be dispatched from the Mainland Columbia and Eastern Canada.

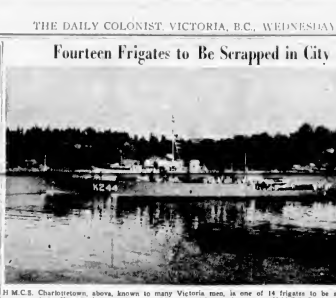
There is possibility that some of the frigates may ultimately be reconverted into coastal passenger ships.

Names of frigates included in the group, many of them well-known on this coast, are:

Charlottetown, Cape Breton, Dundas, Eastview, Kokanee, La Salle, Longueuil, Malahat, Prince Rupert, Runnymede, Wakeseiu, Grou Lewis, and Charlottetown.

Removal of these warships from Bedwell Bay will mark the end of naval ship presence at the bay. It was reported by Mr. Blein. The ships represent the last war surplus craft of their kind to be handled at Bedwell Bay.

Fourteen Frigates to Be Scrapped in City



H.M.C.S. Charlottetown, above, known to many Victoria men, is one of 14 frigates to be scrapped or reconverted in Victoria in near future. Frigates, and large minesweeper H.M.C.S. Bordo Cities, were purchased recently by Victoria-Vancouver syndicate from War Assets Corporation. First of surplus warship group due at Ogden Point docks next week. Charlottetown, stationed at Esquimalt naval base for a long time, participated in many training cruises in British Columbia waters following end of war.

Payroll Soars to All-Time Record Of $403,161,610 in 1946 for B.C.

British Columbia's total payroll industry, up $5,000,000 and food 1945, previous record year, for the soared to an all-time record of products manufacture, up $3,500,000 Province as a whole $403,161,610 in 1946, according to Trades and industries described. Table of average weekly earnings figures released yesterday by Provincial Bureau of Economics and Statistics. "Miscellaneous" showed a drop—down coal mines as the highest paid group with an average of $43.54, against the $39.49 they got in 1945. Shipyard workers were next with $43.45, while workers in the lumber industry averaged $40.19.

Statistics showed that payroll increase for the year was the highest since the war ended, with the exception of the year 1945 when the end of the war brought about a $27,500,000 decrease in shipyards' payrolls recorded in 1946 was expected to force down the overall total.

Average weekly wage to adult male workers climbed to a new high of $38.87, showing an increase of $1.37 in July of last year, and in comparison with the figure for 1945. Weekly average earnings in 20 of the 35 used in 42.63, against 41.58 in the previous year.

Greatest increases in total payroll industry, up $7,500,000. The lumber industry, up $7,000,000, the lumber industry, up $7,000,000, the lumber industry, up $7,000,000, the

Debt-Retirement Plan Underway in Manitoba

WINNIPEG, Dec. 16 (CP).—Manitoba is six months along the road of a 36-year debt-retirement plan which her treasury officials describe simply as a "sensible approach."

This is what it provides:

1. Payment of existing "dead-weight" debt of some $66,000,000 within the next 36 years—the bulk of it within 4½ years.

2. Retirement of any new indebtedness within a period of years of the date of issue.

Thus, the plan does not mean the province will be debt-free within 36 years, but the present "dead-weight" debt will be wiped out and provision made for orderly retirement of any new commitments.

It does not include provision for debt incurred by publicly-owned utilities which look after their own affairs.

The deadweight debt, which officials define as debt that is not self-liquidating, comprises the major part of the province's indebtedness and results, for example, from money borrowed for construction of a bridge, to pay salaries or any other purpose which does not bring visible revenue in return.

The plan, as announced by Premier Garson's budget speech last March and enacted into law in April, includes these provisions:

Existing sinking funds of about $19,000,000 earmarked for retirement of the deadweight debt, have been transferred to what is called the debt retirement reserve.

For the next five years an additional $1,000,000 will be paid in, but after five years this special sum may be discontinued at the government's discretion.

Not charged to this reserve, but paid out of current revenues, are foreign exchange, bank charges on old and new debts, interest, sinking fund and debt discount on new bond issues.

Treasury officials state that the plan was made possible in large measure by the province taking advantage of wartime revenues to cut down its interest and exchange charges by more than $3,000,000 a year compared with 1934 and by "stability" imparted to revenues by the Dominion-Provincial financial agreement.

Nazi Fugitive Caught on U.S. Ship

Police in Sydney, Australia, arrested Dr. Johannes Heinrich Becker, Nazi escaper, as he was attempting to slow away in American ship Cedar Breaks. Becker, head of the Nazi party in Australia from 1931 to 1938, is shown putting up fierce struggle. He had been hiding with three other stowaways in rope locker of ship.

VANCOUVER, Dec. 16 (CP).—The trial of manslaughter in connection with the death of Mrs. Norma Burton (nee Johnson), daughter of Kitimat British Columbia Court of Appeal (today) dismissed the appeal of Kitimat The young Vancouver housewife's Edward Johnson, 26-year-old Burnaby baker, from a 12-year sentence body was found June 27 near a bridle-path in Stanley Park.

Transport Shortage Still Bar To Large Canada Immigration

OTTAWA, Dec. 16 (CP).—Although Canada dropped many of her immigration barriers during 1947, the movement of immigrants to the Dominion was controlled largely by postwar lack of surface transportation.

Prewar restrictions on immigration policy gradually were amended to permit:

1. Immediate admission of British subjects from Commonwealth countries and the United States.

2. Practically unrestricted entry from European countries of persons who could be cared and provided for by relatives in Canada.

3. Entry of agriculturists, tradesmen, technicians and the like with sufficient funds to establish themselves in Canada.

4. Entry of 20,000 persons from displaced persons camps in Europe.

5. Entry of the wives and unmarried children of Canadian citizens of Chinese origin.

As in the past all immigrants were required to be in good health and to be exposed to any philosophy which ruled for the overthrow of Canada's existing form of government. If they came either than by group movements they were required to show that they would not become public charges.

SHIPS IN DRYDOCK

However, the easing of regulations was not accompanied by any marked improvement in shipping, and as a result the movement of immigrants particularly from the British Isles was expected to be lower than in 1946. This was largely due to the fact that troopships used in 1946 to transport the wives and dependents of Canadian servicemen to Canada were no longer available.

Immigration figures for the six months ended September 30 showed that English, Irish, Scottish and Welsh immigrants totalled only 14,266 compared with 34,578 in the corresponding 1946 period.

From all countries some 40,000 immigrants came to Canada during the period, 14,228 fewer than in the corresponding period of 1946.

The outlook for 1948 was somewhat brighter as more and more shipping was expected to become available.

Knut Hamsun Being Tried

ORIMSTAD, Norway, Dec 16 (AP).—Pale and deaf, Knut Hamsun, Nobel prize-winning author, faced a jury of his neighbors today in defending himself against a $100,000 damage suit for his literary activities in favor of the Germans during the occupation.

The Norwegian Crown is prosecuting the 88-year-old author of "Hunger" and "Growth of the Soil" which after dwelling got to charge him with treason.

Russian Output Of Propaganda May Increase

LAKE SUCCESS, Dec 16 (AP).—Russia will step up the tempo of her propaganda output through the United Nations but will not change her policies here because of the Foreign Ministers' break in London, key U.N. delegates and officials predicted today.

The consensus of delegates and observers is that the U.N will go ahead in the light of its present plans. No one expressed the view that the Russians will get out of the Assembly, the Security Council or the Atomic Energy Commission.

One United Nations official said the Russians now are in the U.N for the political value to be derived from it. He said the U.N offering the opportunity of speech-making in the Assembly, the Security Council, and the Atomic Commission, gives Moscow an excellent outlet for communicating its views to the world.

The Russians have remained aloof from the specialized agencies through which the U.N. is tackling a variety of world problems.

Some U.N sources said it is up to the U.N to make its various agencies and courses so attractive and their work so good that the Russians can not afford to remain "off the beaten-wagon."

Job Offer Too Late To Father of Three

PORTLAND, Ore., Dec. 16 (AP).—Walter Searle, 48, father of three small children, was killed under the wheels of a railroad engine today as he neared home after spending the day hunting a job to fill the family Christmas stocking.

His widow said a man with an offer of a job was waiting for her husband's return home.

Crevilla was first discovered by the Danes in 1794.

Will Discontinue Sugar Allotment

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16 (AP).—International rationing of sugar among importing countries will be discontinued in 1948, the International Emergency Food Council announced today. This action is being taken because supplies are expected to be adequate to meet all demands of countries financially able to import.

Yuletide Joke Pays Dividend

NAUGHEE, Miss., Dec. 16 (AP).—Little Villa Mae Hebert's Christmas joke began to pay dividends today.

As more of a pest than anything, Villa tied a note to a Christmas tree shipped from her Chatham, N.B., home. That's something many Canadian youngsters used to do in prewar days.

The tree that Villa picked wound up in Naubee. Now, an unidentified Texas millionaire has promised to buy her an a Christmas present anything her heart desires.

Radio station WMIS of Naubee offered Villa with a doll and has a all-expense trip to Natchez next March.

LONDON (CP). — A 26-year-old trader stood in court without shirt or socks charged with stealing 55 shirts and 375 pairs of socks and more than 1,000 ties.

Ship, Air, Bus Schedules

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Victoria-Vancouver—Lv Victoria 7.15 a.m. arr Vancouver 1.45 p.m. (Mt Baker) lv Vancouver 7 a.m. arr Victoria 1.30 p.m. arr Victoria 1.30 p.m. lv Vancouver midnight, arr Victoria 7 a.m.

Victoria-Seattle—Lv Victoria 4.20 p.m. arr Seattle 8.30 p.m. lv Seattle 8.30 a.m. arr Victoria 12 noon

Victoria-Vancouver (Daily except Sundays) Resaleton 7.30 a.m. arr Vancouver 10 a.m. lv Vancouver 3.30 p.m. arr Victoria 6.15 p.m. lv Resaleton 5.30 p.m. lv Vancouver 8.30 p.m. arr Resaleton 8.45 p.m.

Nanaimo-Lake—Lv Resaleton 7.30 a.m. arr Nanaimo 8.45 a.m. lv Nanaimo 4.15 p.m. arr Resaleton 5.15 p.m. lv Vancouver 11 a.m. arr Resaleton 7.30 p.m. lv Vancouver 8.30 p.m. arr Resaleton 11.40 p.m.

Victoria-Gold Stream—Victoria 10.30 a.m. on Tuesday only, and arr Victoria at this Gold Stream 3.20 p.m.

Cow Coast, Vancouver Island—On Friday, Victoria 10.30 a.m. arr Victoria 3.20 p.m. for points along the West Coast of Vancouver Island to October 31 (7, 21 and 28 inclusive) and 5, 12 and 26 December 3 to 10 inclusive.

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TRANS-CANADA AIR LINES

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Victoria-Vancouver—lv Victoria 6.10 a.m. arr Vancouver 6.40 a.m. lv Victoria 10.40 a.m. arr Vancouver 11.10 a.m. lv Victoria 1 p.m. arr Vancouver 1.30 p.m. lv Victoria 3.40 p.m. arr Vancouver 4 p.m. lv Victoria 8.10 p.m. arr Vancouver 8.40 p.m. lv Victoria 9.40 p.m. arr Vancouver 10.10 p.m. lv Victoria 7.30 a.m. arr Vancouver 8 a.m. lv Victoria 10 p.m. arr Vancouver 10.30 p.m.

Vancouver—Victoria—Lv Vancouver 8.20 a.m. arr Victoria 8 a.m. lv Vancouver 10.20 a.m. arr Victoria 10 a.m. lv Vancouver 12 n. arr Victoria 11.30 a.m. lv Vancouver 11.30 a.m. arr Victoria noon. lv Vancouver 2.20 p.m. arr Victoria 2.50 p.m. lv Vancouver 4.20 p.m. arr Victoria 4.50 p.m. lv Vancouver 6.20 p.m. arr Victoria 6.50 p.m. lv Vancouver 8 p.m. arr Victoria 8.30 p.m.

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Victoria-Sooke—Lv Victoria 3 p.m. arr Sooke 4.10 p.m. lv Victoria 4.30 p.m. arr Sooke 5.40 p.m.

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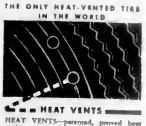

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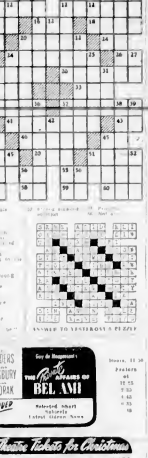


At the Theatres

"Deep Valley" Opens At the Royal Tomorrow

"Deep Valley" is a Warner Bros. film which stars Ida Lupino, Dane Clark and Wayne Morris opens tomorrow at the Royal Theatre. Included in the supporting cast are Ray Bainter and Henry Hull. Jean Negulesco directed the rugged drama from the novel by Dan Totheroh. "Deep Valley" was produced by Henry Blanke for Warner Bros.

Drama of Service Racket In "Allotment Wives"

A problem which directly affects many U.S. servicemen, and indirectly affects the families, is dramatically presented in "Allotment Wives," the Monogram picture which opens today at the Rio Theatre. The film exposes a racket which is nothing less than amazing.

Kay Francis, Otto Kruger and Paul Kelley are starred. Miss Francis is hard, ruthless and ultra-sophisticated as the widow who conducts a beauty salon and servicemen's canteen in Rio Paso, cover as much for her operations as head of the racketeering gang.

CAPITOL Tyrone Power is now **THEATRE** cast to be seen in "Nightmare Alley," what is considered to be the most unusual and challenging role of his career, that of Stan Carlisle in Twentieth Century-Fox's adaption of "Nightmare Alley," the sensational best-selling novel by William Lindsay Gresham. The film ends at the Capitol Theatre tonight and features an outstanding supporting cast headed by Joan Blondell, Colleen Gray and Helen Walker.

Amusements

ON THE SCREEN

Atlas — "The Man I Love," starring Ida Lupino and Robert Alda.

Capitol — Tyrone Power and Joan Blondell in "Nightmare Alley."

Dominion — Joel McCrea and Mureel Hopkins in "Splendor."

Plaza — George Sanders in "Bel Ami."

Rio — Kay Francis and Paul Kelly in "Allotment Wives."

York — "Johnny Angel," starring George Raft and Claire Trevor.

DOMINION THEATRE will begin its stay of New York's first families and is thrilled to sacrificed in the battle to preserve their crumbling grandeur is depicted in dramatic fashion in "Splendor," the new Samuel Goldwyn film which brings Miriam Hopkins to the Dominion Theatre. Joel McCrea, last seen with her in "Barbary Coast," again appears opposite the star in this Rachel Crothers story.

YORK THEATRE Mystery and mass murder are on the high seas in a thriller for action in RKO Radio's new and gripping drama, "Johnny Angel," starring George Raft, Claire Trevor and Signe Hasso. Raft, last seen in role of Captain Johnny Angel, who comes upon his father's ship adrift and abandoned to mid-Caribbean, and loses it little New Orleans, where he starts sleuthing on his own. This exciting film ends tonight at the York Theatre.

Little Stories for Bedtime

By THORNTON W. BURGESS

OLD MAN COYOTE TRIES ANOTHER PLAN

For three nights Old Man Coyote had stolen up through the Green Forest with the coming of the black shadows and hid hidden among the scarlet trees where Paddy the Beaver had cut his food, and for three nights Paddy had failed to come ashore. Each night he had seemed to have enough food logs in the water to keep him without ruining more. Old Man Coyote lay there and the hungry look in his eyes changed to one of doubt and then to suspicion. Could it be that Paddy the Beaver was smarter than he thought? It began to look very much as if Paddy knew perfectly well that he was hiding there each night. Yes, sir, that's the way it looked. For three nights Paddy hadn't cut a single tree, and yet each night he had plenty of food logs ready to take to his storehouse out there in the pond.

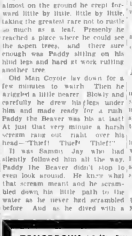
"That means that he comes ashore in the daytime and cuts his trees," thought Old May Coyote as tired and with black anger in his heart, he trotted home the third night. "He couldn't have found out about me himself, he isn't smart enough. It must be that someone has told him. And nobody knows that I have been over there but Sammy Jay. It must be he who has been the tattle-tale! I'll visit Paddy by daylight tomorrow and then we'll see."

Now the trouble with some smart people is that they are never able to believe that others may be as smart as they. Old Man Coyote didn't know that the first time he had visited Paddy's pond he had left behind him a footprint in a little patch of soft mud. If he had known it he wouldn't have believed that Paddy would be smart enough to guess what that footprint meant. But that is exactly what Paddy did do, as you and I know. So Old Man Coyote laid all the blame at the door of Sammy Jay, and that very morning when Sammy came flying over the Green Meadows Old Man Coyote accused him of being a tattle-tale and threatened the most dreadful things to Sammy if ever he caught him.

Now Sammy had flown down to the Green Meadows to tell Old Man Coyote how Paddy was doing all his work on land in the daytime. You see Paddy had twice given Sammy a terrible fright once by cutting another tree so that it almost fell on Sammy. So he had made up his mind to get even by telling Old Man Coyote about Paddy's work by day. But when Old Man Coyote began to rail him tattle-tale and accuse him of having warned Paddy and to threaten dreadful things, he straightway forgot all his anger at Paddy and turned it all on Old Man Coyote. He called him everything he could think of, and this was a great deal for Sammy has a wicked temper. When he hadn't any breath left he flew over to the Green Forest and there he hid where he could watch all that was going on.

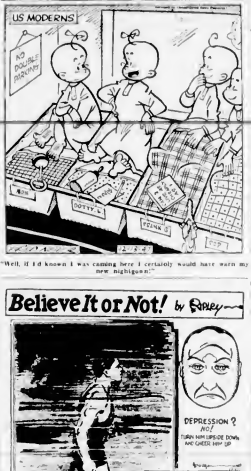
That afternoon Old Man Coyote tried his new plan. He slipped into the Green Forest, looking this way and that way to be sure that no one saw him. Then very, very softly he crept up through the Green Forest toward the pond of Paddy the Beaver. As he drew near he heard a crash and it made him smile. He knew what it meant. It meant that Paddy was at work cutting down trees. With his stomach almost on the ground he crept forward little by little, ready to jump, taking the greatest care not to rustle so much as a leaf. Presently he reached a place where he could see the aspen trees, and there sure enough was Paddy busy at his hind legs and hard at work cutting another tree.

Old Man Coyote lay down for a few minutes to watch. Then he suddenly a little nearer. Slowly and carefully he drew his legs under him and made ready for a rush. Paddy the Beaver was his as sure as he had that very minute a harsh scream rang out right over his head—"Thief! Thief! Thief!" It was Sammy Jay who had silently followed him all the way. Paddy the Beaver didn't stop to even look around. He knew what that scream meant and he scrambled down his little path to the water as he never had scrambled before. And so he dived with a



"He couldn't have found out about me himself"

LIFE'S LIKE THAT By Fred Neher



"Well, if I'd known I was coming here I certainly would have worn my new highboys."

Believe It or Not! by Ripley

W. A. ARMONA of London WALKED 93 YARDS UNDER WATER!

Phrase address all queries to Cartoonist Ripley, c-o King Features New York City, N.Y.

Armed Tops Poll

NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (CP)—Colonel Farms Armed, second to Assault in the voting in 1946, this year moved into first place in the poll sponsored by Turf and Sport Digest to determine the horse of the year.

Armed was named for the honor by 114 of the 173 sports and turf writers casting ballots. Citation was the choice of eight. Stymie received seven votes, Bewitch four and Assault three.

The wife of the President of the United States was called "Your great splash Old Man Coyote landed with a great jump on the very edge of the pond.

Next story, Paddy the Beaver and Sammy Jay Become Friends.

(Released by the Associated Newspapers)

How It Started

By JOAN NEWTON

THE HALLMARK OF QUALITY

This word, Hallmark, for a stamp of distinction, is a metaphorical extension of the actual mark impressed on gold and silver at the Hall of the Goldsmiths Company back to the early days of the Goldsmith's Guild. When the trade association known as the craft guilds of medieval Europe had supervision over their respective industries and rigid control over the workers.

The earliest mention of the Goldsmiths Company is in the year 1180. It was not their authorized by the Crown, but when this took place the Goldsmiths became one of the most powerful of all the English guilds or "companies," as they were called. Early in the 14th century, the Goldsmiths Guild was officially authorized to set a standard of fineness for gold and silver. This took place in London but the Guild had jurisdiction over the production in other cities and their officers traveled about for the purpose of maintaining the standard. There is the heart of the hallmark and its significance over the centuries at Goldsmiths' Hall.

In Britain to this day the traditions of the old guilds or companies are maintained in societies with hereditary membership, with considerable pomp and ceremony. They meet on formal occasions and the Goldsmiths' Company up to the second World War held elaborate banquets at which fine old specimens of plate were exhibited. Also something of their original functions survivors in the continuance of Goldsmiths' Hall, where the country's plate is still stamped to show its quality and the date and place of manufacture.

Moreover, a ceremony is made of their old authority of inspecting the gold coins of the realm, to assure that it is not debased. The coins are taken annually to Goldsmiths Hall where they are tested and weighed, and after the test a notice is inserted in The London Times to proclaim that it has been made.

All that abbreviated in the short paper allotted to this column, is beneath the surface of the word hallmark.

(Released by The Bell Syndicate Inc.)

Newsprint Soars

VANCOUVER, Dec. 16 (CP)—The Powell River Co. Ltd. today announced a 86 increase in the price of a ton, effective January 1. Also announced is a 50 increase in the price of a ton of newsprint, effective January 1, bringing it to 100 a ton, based on the New York market index.

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PANTOMIME — "BABES IN THE WOOD" — At the ROYAL THEATRE, TONIGHT at 8:15 — With a Matinee at 3:45 P.M. — Tickets on Sale — Box Office at Royal Box Office. Tickets, 75c and $1.20. Room and Lapel $1.75. Direction Reginald Stokes. Production Manager, Mr. Warren N. Marr. Under Auspices Exhibition Junior League

Hear her singin'! — The Man I Love — Why Was I Born, Body and Soul — IDA LUPINO — ROBERT ALDA — BRUCE BENNETT — ANDREA KING — THE MAN I LOVE — ATLAS — TODAY AND THURSDAY — EXTRA SELECTED SHORTS NEWS

Eddie CANTOR — George RAFT — Palmy Days — With CHARLOTTE GREENWOOD — TODAY—TWO GREAT HITS! — JOEL McCREA — MIRIAM HOPKINS — DAVID NIVEN — SPLENDOR — DOMINION

TOMORROW! They don't dare take their eyes off each other... (THURSDAY) — THE HOWL IN THE NIGHT IS THE VOICE OF DANGER! — ERROL FLYNN — BARBARA STANWYCK — "CRY WOLF" — WARNER BROS. present — TEEMS WITH THRILLS — YOU DON'T DARE TAKE YOUR EYES OFF THE SCREEN! — DOORS OPEN DAILY — LAST TIMES TODAY — TYRONE POWER in "NIGHTMARE ALLEY" — With JOAN BLONDELL, COLLEEN GREY, HELEN WALKER — Extra — TECHNICOLOR CARTOON "HORSE FLY FLEAS" — TECHNICOLOR ADVENTURE — MUSICAL — CAPITOL NEWS — CAPITOL

TOMORROW! — YORK — "VICTORIA'S GREATEST SHOW VALUE!" — 2 OF THE YEAR'S REALLY GOOD MUSICALS! — GIRLS • MUSIC • LAUGHS! — GEORGE WHITE'S Scandals — JOAN DAVIS — JACK HALEY — GENE KRUPA — ETHEL SMITH — 100 SOUND-LIVELIES — ★ EXACTLY AS PRESENTED FOR MONTHS ON STAGE OF THE LONDON HIPPODROME — ★ BRILLIANT COMEDY — ★ SPECTACULAR DANCES — ★ GAY MUSIC — ROYAL CANADIAN NAVY SHOW IN "MEET THE NAVY"

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To Dad from Mother — Picobac — The pick of Tobacco — To Daddy from Billy — Give "Him" fragrant, satisfying PICOBAC this Christmas . . . watch the smile of a contented man spread over his face as he puffs on this mild, cool, extra-smoking tobacco . . . the pick of sunny Southern Ontario's Burley crop. — Picobac — The Pick of Pipe Tobaccos

Finance—Commerce—Markets

New York Stocks

NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (AP)—The impetus which faltered on today's stock market, although selected rails and industrials managed to keep in the plus ranks. Eight consecutive sessions without an average loss inspired some rushing in by professionals, who figured that a technical regression of the sort December

(See this is a more or less vulnerable position. Reinvestment demand still was a factor in offsetting waning tax offerings.

DOW JONES' AVERAGES

Twenty industrials, 174.64, off .35.
Twenty rails, 65.32, off .18.
Fifteen utilities, 32.81, off .21.
Sixty-five stocks, 83.87, off .17.
Total sales, 1,060,000.

(H. A. Humber Ltd.)

	Close	
Allied Chemical	180	
American Can	86	
American Tobacco B	66	
American Rolling	10	
American Tel. & Tel.	167	
Anaconda Copper	29	
Atlantic Refining	38	
B. & O. Railway	24	
Bethlehem Steel	93	
C.P.R.	15	
Canadian Pacific Ry.	15	
Chrysler	78	
Cities Service	66	
Colo. & Southern	67	
Curtiss Wright Co.Cls.	6	
Douglas Aircraft	58	
Dupont	154	
Eastman Kodak	152	
Erie R.R.	7	
General Motors	52	
General Foods	35	
General Electric	44	
Goodyear Tire	35	
International Harvester	38	
International Nickel	35	
Int. T. & T.	15	
International Metal	24	
Kennecott Copper	32	
Montgomery Ward	53	
National Biscuit	38	
National Dairy Products	18	
New York Central	15	
Norfolk Western	120	
Pacific Gas Electric	26	
Pan American Airways	2	
Pennsylvania R.R.	15	
Pepsi-Cola	15	
Public Service N.J.	42	
Radio	15	
Reading Iron	30	
Republic Steel	30	
Reynolds Tobacco	65	
Standard Oil California	65	
Standard Oil N.J.	75	
Sears Roebuck	38	
Southern California Edison	25	
Texas Corporation	38	
Texas Gulf Sulphur	35	
Texas Gulf Producing	35	
Twentieth Century Fox	14	
Union Carbide	90	
Union Pacific	150	
U.S. Steel	38	
Wabash	14	
Westinghouse Electric	38	
Woolworth	35	

Toronto Stocks

TORONTO, Dec. 16 (CP)—Weak newsprints and utilities led a downward move of industrials on the Toronto Stock Exchange today, but golds showed definite signs of improvement. Base metals were weak and Western oils easier.

Further announcements today of price increases in newsprint, products had an adverse effect, with fractional losses posted by most of the issues trading. Utilities eased fractions for about ten stocks led by a loss of more than a point for Bell. Canada Steamship Pfd. and Winnipeg Electric Pfd. were up nominally. Western oils were softer on losses for Anglo-Canadian, Home Oil, and Pacific Petroleum.

Moderate improvement for golds was noted as Kerr Addison and McIntyre posted fractional gains in the juniors, advances were made by Consolidated Beattie, Dentonia, Kirkland Lake, Marsona, O'Brien, Parmour, Pickle Crow, Sladen and Upper Canada.

(Hagar Investments Ltd.)

INDUSTRIAL SECTION	Bid	Asked
Abitibi	10	
Acadia Atl. Sugar 'A'	18½	
Acadia Sugars 'A'	45	
Beatty Bros.	14½	
Bell Tel.	40	
Bowater Newfld.	10	
B.C. Power Products	15	15½
B.A. Oil	50	51
B.C. Power 'A'	28	29
Canada Cement	38	39
Can. Car & Foundry Com.	14	15
Can. Car & Foundry 'A'	13½	
Can. Steamships, Com.	14	15
Can. Steamships, Pfd.	41½	43
Can. Vickers Pfd.	25	
Can. Packers 'B'	15	16
Can. Chemical, Com.	19	20
Can. Celanese, Pfd.	41½	43
Can. Breweries, Pfd.	41	42
Can. Bread 'A'	15	
Can. Dredge	100	
Can. Malting	75	
Can. Vickers	14	15½
Can. Wire & Cable 'B'	15	16
Dominion Bridge	41	42
Dominion Coal Pfd.	15	16
Dominion Stores	15	16
Dominion Textile	110	111
Famous Players	15	16
Fairbanks Morse	15	16
Fraser Companies	15	16
Gen. Steel Wares	15	16
Gypsum, Lime & Alabastine	15	16
Hamilton Bridge	15	16
Hiram Walker G. & W.	15	16
Imperial Oil	15	16
Imperial Tobacco	15	16
Industrial Acceptance	15	16
International Bronze	15	16
International Nickel	15	16
Laurentide Paper	15	16
Lake of Woods	15	16
Lambton Loan	15	16
Loblaws 'A'	15	16
Massey-Harris	15	16
Mitchell (Robertson) Com.	15	16
Mitchell (Robertson) Pfd.	15	16
Molson's 'A'	15	16
Montreal Telegraph	15	16
Montreal Tramways	15	16
National Breweries	15	16
National Steel Car	15	16
Ogilvie Flour	15	16
Ontario Pulp	15	16
Penmans	15	16
Power Corp.	15	16
Quebec Power	15	16
Russell Industries	15	16
Shawinigan Water & Power	15	16
Shawinigan Chemicals	15	16
Sherwin-Williams	15	16
Steel of Canada	15	16
Thrift Stores	15	16
Walker (Hiram) G. & W.	15	16
Weston (George) Pfd.	15	16
Winnipeg Electric Com.	15	16
Winnipeg Electric Pfd.	15	16
Wood (J. H.) Pfd.	15	16

BENTON R. CANCELL

Mr. Cancell has elected chairman of Western Branch of the Canadian Pulp and Paper Association at the annual meeting. He is vice-president in charge of operations of the Powell River Co., Ltd. J. Petrie was named vice-chairman. Executive members are: Paul E. Cooper, R. M. Herb, Lawrence Killam, H. M. Lewis and Logan Mayhew.

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Pulp & Paper		
Bathurst Pow. Pfd.	15	
Bowater's	15	
Brown Corp.	15	
Brunswick Pfd.	15	
Canada Pfd.	15	
Crown Zellerbach	15	
Fraser	15	
Hamilton	15	
Inter. Paper	15	
Kimberly-Clark	15	
Laurentide	15	
Ontario	15	
Price Bros. Pfd.	15	
Spanish River	15	
Spanish River Pfd.	15	
Steel of Canada	15	
Toronto	15	
Western	15	
Mines		
Bralorne	15	
Coniagas	15	
Beaver Con.	15	
Bidgood	15	
Bobjo	15	
Bralorne	15	
Bruneau Mines	15	
Bunker Hill	15	
Cariboo Gold Quartz	15	
Central Patricia	15	
Chesterville	15	
Chibougamau	15	
Coniagas	15	
Cons. Beattie	15	
Cons. Dentonia	15	
Cons. Marbridge	15	
Cons. Mining & Smelting	15	
Cons. Rankin	15	
Cons. Sudbury Basin	15	
Cons. Thompson	15	
Cons. Vinray	15	
Cons. Wentworth	15	
Dalhousie	15	
Dome	15	
Dome Mines	15	
Duparquet	15	
Eldorado	15	
Falconbridge	15	
Fortune	15	
Frontier	15	
Gillies Lake	15	
Gordon Lake	15	
Graham Bousquet	15	
Granada	15	
Hasaga	15	
Hollinger	15	
Howey	15	
Hudson Bay M. & S.	15	
Indian Lake	15	
International Nickel	15	
Jason	15	
Kerr Addison	15	
Kirkland Lake	15	
Lake Shore	15	
Lebel	15	
Lorrain Gold	15	
Lorrain Silver	15	
Lyndhurst	15	
Marbridge	15	
Marsona	15	
McIntyre	15	
McKenzie Red Lake	15	
McWatters	15	
Madsen	15	
Mandy	15	
Mt. Lake Consolidated	15	
Newbec	15	
Noranda	15	
Northland	15	
Nubar	15	
O'Brien	15	
Oregon	15	
Pamour	15	
Pickle Crow	15	
Pickle Crow Gold	15	
Preston East Dome	15	
Quebec Manitou	15	
Quebec Metallurgy	15	
Rand Kirkland	15	
Sladen	15	
Stadacona	15	
Sylvanite	15	
Teck Hughes	15	
Thompson	15	
Upper Canada	15	
Vipond	15	
Wasa Lake	15	

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Twenty industrials, 170.03, up 1.00
Twenty golds, 103.10, up .42
Ten base metals, 84.05, off .26
Fifteen Western oils, 28.19, off .70
Total sales, 1,060,000

MONTREAL

Twenty industrials, 124.1, off .2
Thirty preferred, 108.2, off .2
Ten pulp and paper, 36.60, off 3.22
Fifteen golds, 75.40, unchanged
Total sales, 100,300

VANCOUVER

Twenty golds, 54.01, off .33
Ten base metals, 74.97, off .89
Fifteen oils, 120.06, up .12

Montreal Stocks

MONTREAL, Dec. 16 (CP)—Industrials slipped to lower levels in light trading on the Stock Exchange and Curb Market today. Mines were easier on a quiet market.

Papers failed to register gains in early afternoon dealings. B.C. Pulp dropped 4 points, and St. Lawrence Paper Preferred lost 3. Dryden slipped a point. Powell River lost 1-4.

Utilities were easier. Bell was off 1-2, and Brazilian and Shawinigan were down 1-4 each. Canadian Breweries added 1-4 in beverages. In metals Noranda added 1-4. Hudson Bay Mining dropped 1-4, and Noranda was off 1. Home Oil lost 18. Atlas gained 3-8 in steels but Algoma was off 1-2. In carrier, C.P.R. went ahead 1-2. Other industrials heavy included Canadian Alcohol, off 1-4, and Canadian Western Lumber, down 1-4.

(James Richardson & Sons)

	Bid	Asked
Can. Breweries Pfd.	41½	42
Can. Bread 'A'	15	
Dominion Stores	15	
Gen. Steel Wares	15	
Hiram Walker	15	
Loblaws 'A'	15	
Molson's 'A'	15	
Neilson	15	
Ogilvie Flour	15	
Penmans	15	
Power Corp.	15	
Quebec Power	15	
Russell Industries	15	
Shawinigan Water & Power	15	
Shawinigan Chemicals	15	
Sherwin-Williams	15	
Steel of Canada	15	
Thrift Stores	15	
Walker (Hiram) G. & W.	15	
Weston (George) Pfd.	15	
Winnipeg Electric Com.	15	
Winnipeg Electric Pfd.	15	
Wood (J. H.) Pfd.	15	

Vancouver Stocks

VANCOUVER, Dec. 16 (CP)—Golds and mines continued to slip in afternoon trading on the Vancouver Stock Exchange today while industrials traded at stationary prices. In oils Anglo Canadian dropped 3 to 1.53 and Mercury slipped ½ to 8, while Home sold at 4.75, and C. & E. Copper at 1.10. Carnegie Mines and Quatsino Copper-Gold moved down ½ to 8½, but Bralorne Mines closed 5 to 10.05. Powell River sold at 9.75 in industrials.

(Hagar Investments Ltd.)

	Bid	Asked
GOLD		
Anglo-Canadian	1.50	1.55
Bralorne	10.05	
Cariboo Gold Quartz	3.10	3.15
Cassiar	1.15	
Consolidated Beattie	15	
Consolidated Mining & Smelting	15	
Highland Bell	15	
Lodestar Gold	15	
Lucky Boy	15	
Midland	15	
Pacific Abitibi Bridge	15	
Pioneer Gold	15	
Quatsino Gold	15	
Reno	15	
Sheep Creek Gold	15	
Silbak Premier	15	
Silver Cup	15	
Silver Standard	15	
Stuart Lake	15	
Surprise Lake	15	
Tonsina	15	
Vulcan	15	
Wasp	15	
Zenith	15	
OILS		
Anglo-Canadian	15	
Home "A"	15	
Home "B"	15	
Mercury	15	
Pacific Petroleum	15	
Ventures	15	
MISCELLANEOUS		
Bayview Pulp	15	
Canadian Breweries	15	
Canadian Chemical	15	
Canadian Western Lumber	15	
Canadian Vickers	15	
Canadian Wire & Cable 'B'	15	
Crown Zellerbach	15	
Dominion Bridge	15	
Dominion Stores	15	
Fraser Companies	15	
Gen. Steel Wares	15	
Gypsum, Lime & Alabastine	15	
Hamilton Bridge	15	
Hiram Walker	15	
Imperial Oil	15	
Imperial Tobacco	15	
Industrial Acceptance	15	
International Bronze	15	
International Nickel	15	
Laurentide Paper	15	
Lake of Woods	15	
Lambton Loan	15	
Loblaws 'A'	15	
Massey-Harris	15	
Mitchell (Robertson) Com.	15	
Mitchell (Robertson) Pfd.	15	
Molson's 'A'	15	
Montreal Telegraph	15	
Montreal Tramways	15	
National Breweries	15	
National Steel Car	15	
Ogilvie Flour	15	
Ontario Pulp	15	
Penmans	15	
Power Corp.	15	
Quebec Power	15	
Russell Industries	15	
Shawinigan Water & Power	15	
Shawinigan Chemicals	15	
Sherwin-Williams	15	
Steel of Canada	15	
Thrift Stores	15	
Walker (Hiram) G. & W.	15	
Weston (George) Pfd.	15	
Winnipeg Electric Com.	15	
Winnipeg Electric Pfd.	15	
Wood (J. H.) Pfd.	15	

Stocks and Bonds

(Hagar Investments Ltd.)

	Bid	Asked
GOLD		
Anglo-Canadian	15	
Bralorne	15	
Cariboo Gold Quartz	15	
Cassiar	15	
Consolidated Beattie	15	
Consolidated Mining & Smelting	15	
Highland Bell	15	
Lodestar Gold	15	
Lucky Boy	15	
Midland	15	
Pacific Abitibi Bridge	15	
Pioneer Gold	15	
Quatsino Gold	15	
Reno	15	
Sheep Creek Gold	15	
Silbak Premier	15	
Silver Cup	15	
Silver Standard	15	
Stuart Lake	15	
Surprise Lake	15	
Tonsina	15	
Vulcan	15	
Wasp	15	
Zenith	15	
OILS		
Anglo-Canadian	15	
Home "A"	15	
Home "B"	15	
Mercury	15	
Pacific Petroleum	15	
Ventures	15	
MISCELLANEOUS		
Bayview Pulp	15	
Canadian Breweries	15	
Canadian Chemical	15	
Canadian Western Lumber	15	
Canadian Vickers	15	
Canadian Wire & Cable 'B'	15	
Crown Zellerbach	15	
Dominion Bridge	15	
Dominion Stores	15	
Fraser Companies	15	
Gen. Steel Wares	15	
Gypsum, Lime & Alabastine	15	
Hamilton Bridge	15	
Hiram Walker	15	
Imperial Oil	15	
Imperial Tobacco	15	
Industrial Acceptance	15	
International Bronze	15	
International Nickel	15	
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Lake of Woods	15	
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Wood (J. H.) Pfd.	15	

Canadian Preferred Stocks

(T. E. Burns & Co. Ltd.)

	Bid	Asked
Abitibi (4% Jan.)	30%	29%
Acadia Atl.		
A. C. Tel (4% pd.)	4	5½
Alberta Pacific	4	5½
Amulet	5	6
Canada Power	114	
Can. Bread	90	100%
Can. Cement	90	100%
Can. Breweries	174	175½
Can. Celanese (1½ Dec.)	41	42
Can. Dredge	100	105
Can. W. Gas (4% pd.)	102	103
Can. Vickers	102	103
Dominion Bridge	41	42
Dominion Coal	15	16
Dominion Stores	15	16
D.S. Wares	15	16
Fraser Cos. (4% pd.)	15	16
Gen. Textiles (4% pd.)	15	16
Gypsum, Lime & Alabastine	15	16
Hamilton Bridge	15	16
Hiram Walker	15	16
Imperial Oil	15	16
Imperial Tobacco	15	16
Industrial Acceptance	15	16
International Bronze	15	16
International Nickel	15	16
Laurentide Paper	15	16
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Molson's 'A'	15	16
Montreal Telegraph	15	16
Montreal Tramways	15	16
National Breweries	15	16
National Steel Car	15	16
Ogilvie Flour	15	16
Ontario Pulp	15	16
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Power Corp.	15	16
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Winnipeg Electric Com.	15	16
Winnipeg Electric Pfd.	15	16
Wood (J. H.) Pfd.	15	16

Foreign Exchange

NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (CP)—The Canadian dollar was up ¼ at a discount of 11 per cent in terms of United States funds in closing foreign exchange dealings today. The pound sterling was unchanged at $4.03½.

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Vice-President and Director

Mining Trust

WINNIPEG, Dec. 16 (CP)—Only figures prices showed a firm trend today on the Winnipeg Grain Exchange with some buying reported by a large aggressive support at the opening. Expansion of hedging sales was minimal. Light shipping demand came in at the late stages and prices rallied somewhat.

(H. A. Humber Ltd.)

	Open	High	Low	Close
Dec.	267½	267½	267½	267½
May	272½	274	272	273
July	269½	271½	269½	271½
Oats —				
Dec.	86	86	86	86
May	88	87½	88	87½
July	85	85½	85	85½
Barley				
Dec.	142	142	142	142
May	147½	148	147½	148
July	150½	150½	149½	150½
CASH GRAIN				
No. 1 C.W.				270½
No. 2 C.W.				
No. 3 C.W.				
Tough				267½
Sample				
No. 1 C.W. Track				267½

Chicago Grain

CHICAGO, Dec. 16 (AP)—Grain futures moved upward today in relatively light dealings at the Board of Trade. The advance was led by Minneapolis, which started the upward movement following early estimates. Producers were not inclined to sell corn in generous amounts, today's booking being placed at 40,000 bushels against sales of 100,000 bushels.

(H. A. Humber Ltd.)

	Open	High	Low	Close
Dec.	203½	203	203	203
May	206½	207½	206½	206
July	203	204½	203½	204½
Sept.	200½	201	200	201
Oats —				
Dec.	108½	108½	108½	108½
May	110½	110½	110	110½
July	110½	110½	110	110½
Soybeans —				
Nov.	200½	200½	200½	200
Jan.	201½	204	201½	203½
Mar.	201½	204	201½	203½
May	201½	204	201½	203½
Rye —				
Dec.	150½	150½	150½	150½
May	155½	156	155½	156
July	156	156½	156	156½
Lard —				
Jan.	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50
Mar.	19.75	19.75	19.75	19.75
Bellies —				
Jan.	19.50	19.50	19.50	19.50
Mar.	19.75	19.75	19.75	19.75

London Market
LONDON, Dec. 16 (AP)—Trading on the stock exchange was quiet today following the break-up of the Four Power Conference. Volume was small, and in the absence of interest, some marking down of prices took place in the industrial section. Gilt-edged securities eased fractionally down.
Closings: Babcock & Wilcox, 75s 6d; Bemis Pure Drug, £3 1/-d; C.P.R., 81½; Central Mining, £21; Consolidated Gold Fields, 70s; Courtaulds, 64s; Imperial Chemical, 71s 6d; Hudsons Bay Co., 38s 6d; London Midland Rly., £28½; Metal Box, 108s 7½d; Mexican Eagle, 16s 1½d;

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Survey Parties to Start Work On Diversion Route Next Spring

Route-plotting survey parties will begin work for British Columbia Government next Spring to map a line for proposed Southern Transprovincial Highway diversion through Northern Washington State.

This was announced here yesterday by Public Works Minister E. C. Carson on his return with Chief Highways Engineer Harry Anderson from discussions in Seattle with Washington State Highway Commission, D.C.

Mr. Carson said Washington authorities were favorably disposed towards the project, and had given authority for route surveys to be made. When they are completed, State and Provincial authorities will meet again to draft a 99-year lease for approval by their respective Governments, Ottawa and Washington, D.C.

If it can be put through, the British Columbia road on United States soil would shorten distances between Cascade and Paterson by about half, avoid steep and winding climbs over two summits on Canadian side of the border, and save the Province some millions of dollars in construction costs.

Road, if built on British Columbia place and 4,800 in another. Diverted through Washington, it would cross only one 2,800-foot summit. Rough comparative costs are $4,000,000 and $1,500,000.

Washington link would run mostly through a United States forest reserve.

Dies in Vancouver

GEOFFREY C. BAGSHAWE

Notice are of Victoria, who died in Vancouver Sunday after short illness. He was educated at The College School and public schools here. Spending most of his life in mining and timber industries, he was well known in Northern British Columbia. Prior to his death he was manager of farm near Murrayville, British Columbia.

Dumping of Untreated Sewage Criticized in Documentary Film

"We pride ourselves on our high sanitary standards, yet we deliberately make open sewers of our waterways."

This was the message of a documentary film, "Clean Waters," shown to Victoria Electric Club at Public Health Engineering Department's luncheon meeting in Lougheed's Banquet Club yesterday.

The film, produced by General Electric Co. and shown by Ted Barbour and R. W. Patrick, drew attention to the dangers of untreated sewage. Pollution and infection of bathing and drinking water, extermination of wild life, and dwindling values of shoreline property.

More than 16,000 new sewage disposal plants are needed on this continent before waterways can be restored to health, the film's commentator said.

R. Bowering, director, Division of Health and Welfare, speaking after the film, stressed the need for public education on the need for more efficient sewage disposal methods. Modern techniques reduce sewage to raw sewage which can be dumped in any waterway, he said.

The United States has had only one Medal-headed president — John Quincy Adams.

Pay Increases, 40-Hour Week Are Received by Bakers' Union

Victoria bakers in the Bakery and Confectionery Workers' International Union, Local 267, will receive pay increases of 46.66 per week and a reduction to a 40-hour week (from 48) V. Jensen, union secretary, announced yesterday.

Bakers will, as a result of negotiations just completed, receive two weeks' vacation with pay after five years service, capped compensation of 20 cents an hour between the hours of 9 p.m. and 12 midnight and an additional 35 cents an hour between midnight and 6 a.m.

The wage increases will be in effect as from November 16, and the 40-hour week the first week in January.

Mr. Bennett said that negotiations between the union and Ormond's Bacon Company has been successfully concluded and he expected an agreement to be signed this week.

The agreement would give the biscuit workers union security, substantial increases in pay, certain statutory holidays with pay, 15 cents per hour extra night compensation between 6 p.m. and 6 a.m., two weeks vacation with pay after four years service, seniority clauses and many other attractive features.

F. J. Lister has been elected president of the union, J. H. Held, vice-president; Bren V. Jensen, secretary-Treasurer; Frances Sim, recording secretary; A. E. Craig, sergeant-at-arms; T. C. Goodman, John Shearer, C. Lister and O. B. Bone, trustees. The officers will be installed at the January meeting.

City Police Court

Pleading guilty through counsel to a charge of dangerous driving Lewis R. Holland, 1220 Purcell Place, was fined $40 and his driver's licence was suspended for one month by Magistrate Henry C. Hall in City Police Court yesterday. Mr Holland is in hospital recovering from injuries received when his automobile collided with a rock outcropping on the Johnson Street extension on December 4. He was represented by Gordon Cameron.

Convicted on a dangerous driving charge as the result of an accident at the intersection of Burdett and Douglas Street on December 3, R. Hopkins was fined $40 or in default six days in jail.

LONDON (CP) — Population of Wandsworth, London's largest borough, increased in 1946 by 50,000 to 314,030.

Better English

By D. C. WILLIAMS

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "Either John or Charles are going."

2. What is the correct pronunciation of "design?"

3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Tutorage, Tutonic, tutti-frutti.

4. What does the word "hypochondriac" mean?

5. What is a word beginning with "int" that means "essential to completeness?"

ANSWERS

1 Say, "Either John or Charles is going". 2. Pronounce dah, a as in cans. 3. Teutonic. 4. A person who entertains morbid anxiety as to his own health, with conjuring up imaginary ailments. (Pre-nounce hi-po-kon-dri-ak, first i as in hide, first o as in obey, second o as in on, second i as in it, a as in back, accent third syllable. 5. Integral.

Local Building Not Available To V.I. Bureau

Hope that the Victoria and Island Publicity Bureau will find quarters in the Belmont Building, owned by the Dominion Government, appear dim.

In a letter to Mayor Percy E. Cheeny yesterday, C. P. Dawson, district engineer, said he had had no intimation that the Department of Veterans' Affairs intended to move its Prosthetic Service from the ground floor of the building to the Veterans' Hospital. He pointed out it was essential to have ground floor space for the 320 disabled men, 10 of them double amputation cases who had to get to the workshop for repairs to their artificial limbs.

The Publicity Bureau is also seeking ground floor space, contending that more accessible space should be available for tourists than the present second floor of the Arcade Building.

Mr. Dawson said he would immediately get in touch with the Publicity Bureau "when space is available and not required for Government services."

He also said that tenants in the Post Office Building have been given notice to vacate by January 15, that he was trying to re-locate some governmental offices but still had to find space for the National Film Board.

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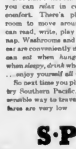

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World Ice Meet Has Big Entry

DAVOS, Switzerland, Dec. 16 (AP)—With at least 80 participants entered, the competition in the world figure-skating championships here February 11-18 is likely to be tougher than the Olympics themselves.

The world titles for men, women and pairs will be determined in the contests opening here only three days after the Winter Olympics at St. Moritz. The European championships are to be held in Prague, January 12-18.

The competition in Davos is expected to be rugged because the six compulsory figures to be skated by each contestant will not be announced until the night before the competition. The judges select these figures out of 41 possible variations.

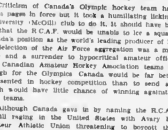
In the Olympics, the five figures to be skated already are known, and aspirants can be concerned only with training on those figures.

Defending her title over here will be 18-year-old Barbara Ann Scott of Ottawa who arrived in London today and is due here this month to begin her final training.

Other well-known skaters expected here are Gretchen Merrill of Boston, Dorothy Hamill of Staten Island, Daphne Walker, British champion, and Maja Hua of Switzerland.

In the men's division, World Champion Hans Gerschwiler, 27-year-old commercial student of Neuchatel, Switzerland, probably will again meet his toughest competition from 18-year-old Dick Button of New Jersey, who placed second to him in the world meet in Stockholm last Winter.

Native hunting wild yak in Tibet generally go in pairs for, unless plain morally wounded, the beast will charge furiously.



Olympic Hockey Team

Criticism of Canada's Olympic hockey team has finally hit the sports pages in force now. It took a humiliating licking at the hands of a university (McGill) club to do it. It should have been apparent long ago that the R.C.A.F. would be unable to live up to its promise of keeping Canada's position as the world's leading producer of hockey talent.

Selection of the Air Force aggregation was a mistake in the first place and a surrender to hyperbolic amateur sentiment. We decided that Canadian Amateur Hockey Association teams were not amateur enough for the Olympics Canada would be far better off to be represented in hockey competition than to send a fourth-rate club which would have little chance of winning against the better European teams.

Although Canada gave in by running the R.C.A.F. a controversy is still raging in the United States with Avery Brundage and his Amateur Athletic Union threatening to boycott the Winter Games unless the A.A.U. selects the U.S. Olympic hockey team. The International Ice Hockey Association is sticking to its guns and has declared that the American Hockey Association team will be recognized. If it also tight, there is little doubt but that Brundage and his cohorts will suffer loss of face. The balance of the U.S. Olympic squad is already on its way to the Winter games and will doubtless compete irregardless of the outcome of the hockey argument.

All of this appears to indicate that the Olympic Games as now constituted are doing little to promote international good will. Rather, they seem to be adding to the bickering and distrust among the competing nations.

Peculiar too are the rules which govern the games. England won the Olympic hockey title in 1936 with a team of Canadian players, playing hockey for a livelihood in the Old Country. Yet the same class of players in Canada can not represent the Dominion. Similarly, many of the best players on some of the European teams this year are Canadians who only last season were playing with C.A.H.A. clubs.

Confirmation of Russian participation in the games was held up because Olympic officials did not like the state subsidization of Russian athletes and had to straighten this matter out before the Russians were considered amateur enough to compete.

There are the same officials which refused to sanction a C.A.H.A. team but approved an R.C.A.F. entry. The Air Force aggregation has been practising for two months. Air Force personnel trying out for the club receive their usual pay from the Government and were kept together to play hockey at the expense of their usual military duties. Not that this shouldn't be so, but it seems to this writer that this is also state subsidization. It might be a lot better if the interpretation of an Olympic amateur was a little more consistent. In fact, it might be a lot better if an Olympic competitor did not have to worry about amateur status in the first place.

Random Harvest

It is hoped that the city parks board will see eye to eye with Canadian football officials on their request for the use of **Royal Athletic Park** for the staging of the juvenile and junior B.C. grid finals. The young gridders have been working against severe handicaps all season and the provincial final is their big event. It does seem as if they are entitled to the Caledonia Avenue enclosure for these games.

... **Meaney's** first division juvenile soccer club, coached by **Jim Lees**, is setting up an enviable defensive record in the 11 games to date. It has scored seven shutouts and permitted but four goals, one of these on a penalty kick. ... Look for **Eddie Murphy** to make the grade as an outfielder with **Oakland** this season. ... **Bill Sisler**, a mound flop with the Athletics last season, showed a form reversal after being sent to **Twin Falls**, Hose was undefeated in his stay with the **Pioneer League** club and was one of the big reasons it won the pennant. ... **Spokane, Yakima** and **Bremerton** are all listed as clubs which hope to procure **Marshall Sutherland**, Portland, probably will again meet his toughest competition from 18-year-old Dick Button of New Jersey, who placed second to him in the world meet in Stockholm last Winter.

Set Fox-Leonevich Title Bout March 5

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 16 (AP)—Blackjack Billy Fox of Philadelphia will fight Champion Gus Leonevich of Cliffside, N.J., in the heavyweight boxing title at Madison Square Garden March 5, Fox's manager announced today.

Legion Aiming For Third Straight Win

Aiming for their third straight victory, the Victoria Legion and Canadian Legion hoopsters are billed to meet K.V.'s senior A team in the feature clash of the three-game card to be presented by the Victoria Senior Basketball Association at the Victoria High School tonight.

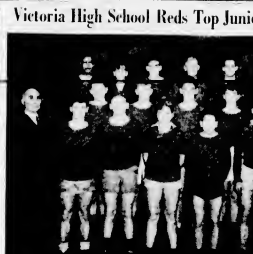
Legion have made the senior A race a three-team affair by their performances in the last two contests and will make it tighter with a victory tonight. K.V. is now tied with Y.M.C.A. on top of the standings, will be out to grab undisputed possession of the premier slot. Game time is 8 p.m.

Acts and Navy senior "B" cagemen are slated to tangle in a preliminary at 7:45 p.m. while the opener at 7 p.m. sees the **K.V.'s** and Esquimalt junior boys square.

Quakers Triumph

BARKATOON, Dec. 16 (CP)—Barkatoon Quakers here and left Lethbridge Maple Leafs 4-1 in a Western Canada senior league hockey game here and left Lethbridge tied with Edmonton Flyers for third place. The victory pulled the top place Quakers to within six points of Lethbridge.

Victoria High School Reds Top Junior Rugby League



(Colonist Photo)

PHOTOGRAPHED yesterday just champions of Junior Inter-High rugby before they ended a successful season by scoring eighth straight victory with triumph over High Greens, are members of Victoria High School Reds Rugby fifteen. Ted Curtias and Ian Pirth; second Alan Blair, Ken Johnson, Gordon Ingliss, Tom Cox, Brian Cox, Mort Graham and Don Hendry; back row, North Alexander Cunningham, Bane Hudson, Doug Wallis, team mentor, Jack Parrott, coach; Ernie Kirk and Gordon Ingliss.

Bolstered R.C.A.F. Team Will Represent Dominion

OTTAWA, Dec. 16 (Wednesday)—(CP)—Norman Dawe, vice-president of the Canadian Amateur Hockey Association, emerged from a conference tonight at which the fate of R.C.A.F. Flyers as Canada's 1948 Olympic hockey entry was confirmed and announced that the team would be bolstered and would continue with plans to go to Switzerland.

Dawe was closeted with R.C.A.F. officials and coaches for two hours considering what should be done about the Olympic team after Flyers dropped a and looking 8-2 decision to Ottawa Army, their second defeat in as many starts. It was then 7-0 trounncing by McGill Redmen in an exhibition game Saturday which brought comments that they weren't good enough to represent Canada at the Olympics.

"You can't judge a team on two games," said Dawe, adding that it was Canada, and not the R.C.A.F. or the C.A.H.A., which was at stake in the Olympics.

Neither Dawe nor Air Commodore D. E. (Dave) MacKell, deputy air member for personnel who fostered the team, Sqdn. Ldr. A. G. (Andy) Watson, team manager; nor George (Buck) Boucher, coach, who selected the squad from among R.C.A.F. hockey talent across Canada, would say just how the team would be strengthened, particularly defensively.

Though there was no official indication where the replacements would come from, it was indicated that the R.C.A.F. was to be given a free hand, possibly picking men from other service or civilian clubs, thus throwing out the idea of an all-R.C.A.F. club.

Sqdn. Ldr. Watson said he hoped to have a "solution" within 48 hours on the matter of where the team would come from.

Coach Boucher and his son, Cpl. Frank Boucher, who is to coach the squad overseas, had little to say but indicated that the team hadn't been given a proper chance and that the poor showing had been due to its recent "pressure."

Bishop Sparks Fireresst Win

HOW THEY STAND	W.	L.	Pts.
Vancouver	7	1	.875
Seattle	6	2	.714
Tacoma	5	4	.556
Bellingham	4	5	.444
Astoria	2	7	.222
Portland	1	8	.111

Astoria, Ore., Dec. 16 (AP)—Bellingham Firecrest defeated Astoria Royal Chinooks, 19-75, tonight as Ollie Bishop again led his team in a Pacific Coast Pro Basketball League victory.

The two teams meet again tomorrow night.

Bellingham (79)—Maul (21) Bishop (9) Chamberlain (8) Wade (12) Arnold (9) Johnson (2).

Astoria (75) Wirkkunen (27) Anderson (8) Hays (13) Warren (3) Howard (2) Bube—Magnuson (8) Smith (18).

Halftime—Bellingham 43 Astoria 36

McDonald Tops Hockey Circuit

CALGARY, Dec. 16 (CP)—An unofficial compilation of Western Canada Senior Hockey League scoring shows Bobby McDonald of Calgary Stampeders leading the pack with 43 points—19 goals and 24 assists.

Tied for second place, with 37 points apiece are Art McDougall of Regina Caps and Morey Romanat of Edmonton Flyers. Next is Bill Kyle of Regina with 35.

The league's bad man still is Pug Young of the Flyers. He has served 48 minutes in the penalty box.

The leaders

	G.	A.	T.
McDonald, Calgary	19	24	43
McDougall, Regina	13	24	37
Romanat, Edmonton	14	23	37
Bill Kyle, Regina	16	19	35
Black, Edmonton	18	16	34
Sonder, Saskatoon	11	17	28
Hasek, Regina	8	20	28
Washer, Edmonton	12	16	28
Grant, Calgary	10	17	27
Bentley, Saskatoon	10	15	25
Hall, Lethbridge	14	12	26
Hassler, Calgary	11	15	26
Brown, Regina	11	12	23
Heximer, Lethbridge	10	12	24
Stewart, Calgary	8	12	22
Fisher, Regina	11	11	22

Durocher Likely To Pilot 1948 N.L. All-Stars

NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (AP)—Unless Leo Durocher elects to step aside in favor of Burt Shotton, Durocher will manage the National League team in the 1948 Major League all-star baseball game.

Hitherto the all-star managers have been the previous year's world series managers. Durocher spent 1947 under suspension and Shotton piloted Brooklyn Dodgers to the pennant.

Fred Fox, National League president, declared "the 1948 manager of the Brooklyn club will lead the league team in the all-star game." Presuming Durocher. The game will be played in July 13 at St. Louis.

Asked whether Durocher might yield the privilege to Shotton, Frick declared "that is entirely up to them."

Royals Share P.C.L. Cellar

VANCOUVER, Dec. 16 (CP)—For the first time since the start of the Pacific Coast Hockey League season, Alec Blubirky's New Westminster Royals were not alone in the northern division cellar as a result of their 4-3 triumph tonight over third-place Vancouver Canucks.

The Royals, with but eight victories out of 41 starts, share the basement with Portland Eagles.

Scoring was well scattered in tonight's contest with Ken Ullyot, Jack Tomson, Bill Hayes and Jack Bentley notching Royals goals and Bernie Battigage, Shamlock and Millard the Vancouver marksmen.

Table Tennis

Monday's games in the Greater Victoria Table Tennis Association saw Brown, Maple Leafs, Peddlers and Robinson's Grocery score victories. Brown's team drew 13-8, Maple Leafs triumphed 20-14 over Arrow Furniture, Peddlers defeated Cardinals 16-14 and the grocerymen trimmed Shakers, 22-14.

Scores follow:

Brown, F. Cossburn, L. B. Cassova 4 d. Arrow, Ward, Ward 0.
Maple Leafs, Pritchard 4 Segal 1 d. Bridgens 0, Total 5.
Maple Leafs—Al Wood 4, B. Morris 4 d. Swallowing 0, Doughty 0, Total 20.
Peddlers, Bennett, Bennett 4, Hall 3, Hall 3, Bennett 3, Doughty 3, Total 16.
Peddlers—B. Hayward 4, Bond 4, T. Hayward 4, Bond 2, Total 14.
Robinson's Grocery—T. Hayward 4, T. Harper 4, Total 16.
Robinson's Grocery—W. Robinson 4, J. Wilson 3, P. Dewhurst 3, Dewhurst 3, Total 13.
Shakers—P. MacDonald 3, R. Sawyer 3, Neal 4, Deadline 3, Total 14.

W.C.H.L. Standings

HOW THEY STAND	W.	L.	T.	P.
Calgary	13	1	7	100
Regina	13	1	6	111
Lethbridge	11	6	6	78
Edmonton	8	11	6	57
Saskatoon	6	15	6	39

Louis to Limit Divot-Digging

DETROIT, Dec. 16 (AP) — Joe Louis is going to cut down on golf.

An order to govern the heavyweight champion's daily routine beginning next Monday decreed today by his manager John Roxborough, on arrival from New York.

Joe, an ardent golfer, is on the course wherever he happens to be, from early morning until dusk. But those days are over until he is through with the job at Pittsburgh said Roxborough.

"We just figured he was playing too much and we've asked him to cut down."

Louis has been told to conserve all the energy he can prior to his next title fight. And curtailing golf is part of the program.

32 City Sports Organizations Back Request for Use of Savory Park Site

Representatives of city sports organizations wasted no time in renewing their bid for the use of Savory Park following the result of the civic vote in which the public showed decisively that they did not want the park used as a site for the proposed new City Hall.

A committee of the interested parties—The Sports Council of Greater Victoria, the Y.M.C.A. track and field club, the Victoria and District Softball Association, and the Canadian Football Club as well as the Y.M.C.A. yesterday and formulated plans to obtain the use of the park and the laying out of the field. If it is eventually obtained Support of 32 separate sports organizations was pledged in backing any moves of the committee.

The committee agreed to forward a written, formal request to the parks board for a joint meeting tomorrow afternoon. It is the intention of the committee to ask the board to set aside certain portions for the use of the various sports represented. If this is agreed to by the board, the committee will ask that an early start be made in regrading and seeding the area in question so that it may be used for spring usage. The city will receive a percentage of all gate receipts when the park has been enclosed. It was announced that certain interests would probably donate the lumber for the fencing.

Grading will have to be done early in January in order to lay a cinder track that would benefit prospective Olympic trackmen from Victoria.

Softball interests, hoping for a team to retain the Western Canada title won by Esquimalt Meat Market this season, do not want a repetition of the misunderstanding that forced the Marketeers to travel to Vancouver for a game.

The Canadian footballers need a park that they know will be available to them each Sunday. This season they games were shifted between Central Park and Macdonald Park.

V.H.S. Reds End Season Undefeated

FINAL STANDINGS

	W.	L.	D.	P.	A.	Pts.
Vic High Reds	8	0	0	90	3	24
Vic High Greens	5	2	1	24	18	11
Oak Bay Blues	3	5	1	25	55	7
Oak Bay Greens	0	8	1	8	76	1
Esquimalt	0	8	1	8	76	1

Marking up a splendid record during the season's play, Victoria High School Reds downed the second place Vic High Greens, 6-0, in the last game of the Junior Inter-High Rugby League at the Fernwood hilltop school yesterday. In going through the season unbeaten and untied in eight games, Reds amassed a total of 90 points, while having their three scored against them.

In spite of the muddy grounds and slippery ball, both teams put on a good display. Greens held a decided advantage over the champions in the first half, but good checking by the Reds backfield prevented any scoring.

Reds opened fast in the second half and after only two minutes had a scoring scored a try so Mort Graham accordingly kicked the extra. The supposition was imposed in May 1946.

Greens, fighting all the way, threatened broke into the scoring column. Late in the game Doug Ingliss, taking pulled down inches from Reds lines after a solo dash from his own 25 yard line.

Vic High Reds—A Blair, K. Johnson, G. Cox, D. Cox, M. Graham, D. Hendry, M. Alexander, T. Jones, B. Hudson, E. Eric, O. Ingliss, G. Ingliss, T. Curtis, W. Reid, K. Cruttenden, R. Pirth, T. Curtis, J. Pirth.

Vic High Greens—D. Stewart, S. Worthy, M. Mackie, C. Hunter, D. Hindell, G. Mackie, H. Pottinger, D. Watson, S. Peters, J. Marshall, B. Petersen, J. Rowlandson, J. Metcalfe, A. Macintosh, G. McLaren.

Mickey Owen May Play Semi-Pro

HUMBOLT, Sask., Dec. 16 (CP)—Mickey Owen, suspended major league catcher is expected to play with Humbolt's independent semi-pro baseball team next year.

Officials said Owen plans to come here with his family over Spring.

Owen, who was specializes in sales of pure-bred hogs, is under a five-year suspension from organized baseball for jumping to the Mexican League which he said he did.

Granby Club Fits Amateur Definition

MONTREAL, Dec. 16 (CP)—The Canadian Amateur hockey fan came up with a novel suggestion today on how Canada can send a hockey team to the Olympics.

He thought that the Granby Eagles of the Provincial League would make a good choice. His argument: They don't get paid.

The Granby team dropped out of the Provincial loop yesterday following a strike by players who claimed the club owed them three weeks back pay.

Stack Will Lead Ice Contingent

WINNIPEG, Dec. 16 (CP)—When Winnipeg's Frank Stack, Canada's senior speed skating champion, and runner-up Gordon Audley step aboard a train tonight they will be the first Western Canadians to start the long jaunt to Switzerland and the annual prime of all for amateurs—the 1948 Olympic Games.

Stack a name synonymous with top-ranking blade artists for more than a quarter of a century, and Audley, an up-and-coming 18-year-old prospector, will form half of Canada's speed-skating representatives at the Olympic Winter Games. The two others Ab Hardy of Edmonton and Craig McKay of Saskatoon, are expected to leave shortly.

Hardy is used the necessary funds to send the two Winnipeg stars to Switzerland, the Manitoba Speed-Skating Association is giving them the opportunity to practise and acclimatize themselves at the site of the games.

The smooth-skating Stack now 41, has had almost his entire life in strapping up more championships than anyone else in Canada's wide and toughies piled up during his long career.

How does he do it?

Keeping in shape the year round has a lot to do with it. Winnipeg Winter arrives, Stack is among the first to be seen on his skates, the speed-skating style grinding his legs their needed exercise.

Continual practice is another Stack "must." This year, when he couldn't find a rink to practise on, despite the many sheets of ice around the city Stack turned to the frozen-over sloughs and ponds. Unfavorable weather conditions finally halted these workouts.

Cullenbine Sold

PHILADELPHIA Dec. 16 (AP)—The Philadelphia Phillies today purchased first base and outfield utility performer Roy Cullenbine from Detroit Tigers for an undisclosed sum.

Cullenbine, 34, held down first base for the Tigers last season. He hit .280 in 124 but drove in 76 runs and cracked out 84 homers.

Amateur Body Denies Claim Fighters Paid

VANCOUVER, Dec. 16 (CP)—Amateur boxers in British Columbia are receiving payment for their fights was denied today by the Amateur Athletic Union officials.

"We have no evidence to support such a claim," said Bob Osborne, provincial branch president.

The charge was made by Len Robertson, secretary of the A.A.U. branch, who was quoted as saying

"Promoters have been paying the boxers at Nanaimo and in an effort to get the boys out. We have known about it, but only received proof recently."

Blackie Bergert, chairman of the B.C. Amateur Boxing Commission also denied the charge.

"I have no knowledge of Mr Robertson's is very unjust."

Promoter May By-Pass Walcott If Present Terms Not Accepted

NEW YORK, Dec. 16 (AP)—Refusal of Jersey Joe Walcott to accept a drop of a world, declared with deadly emphasis today that if Jersey Joe Walcott either can fight Joe Louis again next June for 20 per cent of the net receipts or remain in Camden, N.J., with his memories.

Sal Sarullo head of the twentieth Century Sporting Club, sounded as though he meant it. He feels deeply is hurt that Jersey Joe and his official family have turned on him after he gave them their big opportunity.

"Never-never-never!" he exploded when asked if there is any chance he would grant Walcott the 30-30-40 split in the spoils Jersey Joe has demanded for a return bout with the heavyweight champion.

"Certainly, we had a written agreement that they would split 30-30 in a return fight in the event Walcott won the title.

"But Walcott didn't win the decision, Louis had and he's still the champion and entitled to the champion's share.

"Walcott said he had seen none of the Walcott crowd since the night of the fight 11 days ago, when he went in Jersey Joe's dressing-room to congratulate him on his great showing. All he knows since then is what he has read in the papers.

"Should I go to them with my hat in my hand?" Sal shouted. "I say not. If Walcott wants to fight for the championship again he will have to come to me and accept my terms. He not only will have to take 20 per cent, but he will have to sign a contract to defend the title for the Twentieth Century Club in the event he wins

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Rookie Larry Jansen of New York Giants boasted the best won and lost percentage of .806 on 21 wins against only six defeats.

Spahn was one of the five league winners in the league. His strikeout total, 122, far surpassed his walks, 84.

The most-talked about pitcher was Ewell Blackwell of Cincinnati whose earned run average of 2.47 was good for second place behind Spahn. Blackwell was the top winner with his 22-8 season, including a 16-game streak that was the best in the league.

Jansen was the only other pitcher with a sub-2 earned run average, 2.61. He also worked the most complete games, 23, and hurled the only no-hit, no-run game of the National League season, when he blanked Boston, 6-0, June 16. He was also the only pitcher to win 20 games

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CHAPTER III

The next day was like every other exception for Loveday of an encounter with Larry. Rain was pattering down softly and gently when she left the house for her walk after luncheon, equipped with rubbers and raincoat; it fell freshly against her warm cheeks as she went down the road.

Her hair was peeled, her cheeks glowing when she ran up the red brick steps of the library and dropped into a leather-backed chair at the long magazine-table. Miss Violet nodded to her from the desk with a flash of strong spectacles. Loveday was early, but Larry was early, too; but one full moment had passed and she was still among the advertisements of the current copy of Vogue, when with a rush of fresh air and brown coat had slipped into the chair nearest her, Larry—his wet hand was over her own, and she heard the voice that made her heart beat with such sudden terror and delight.

Instinctively they were out in the streets again.

"Let's walk," he had whispered "I want to talk to you."

"Let's walk to the graveyard. It's really a lovely walk, especially in the rain," Loveday said, if you have time."

"I have plenty of time. I've resigned," he answered cheerfully. "No, I wasn't fired," he said. "But I had a notion they were I say one thing about me. And than I got this offer"—he pulled a letter from his pocket—"to go to Florida and learn to fly airplanes," he said.

"Florida!" her face was blank with dismay.

"Promise." his lips said hurriedly, close to her ear.

"Am I sure? It's an. Are you sure?"

"As sure, she said breathlessly, drawing away from him to look into his eyes, "as I have to be."

"But you mean that, darling?" he asked anxiously.

"Yes. I mean it. But couldn't you—would you—hadn't you better come up to the house and see mother and meet my grandmother. They'd—they'll be so hurt if I just tell them I'm going to marry someone they don't know."

"But of course I'll come. I'm come up tomorrow before I go."

"You don't go tomorrow?"

"Late afternoon. Link Cocey is driving all the way down to San Diego, and he'll drop me off at Bakersfield. I've got to get some things—my coat and my camera and so on. And I'll go on my way Friday or Saturday."

"Oh, Larry!" It took her breath away.

"Just as soon as they move me up to—say, thirty-five a week," he said in a businesslike tone as they turned toward the village again. "I'll wire you. From the beginning I'll be looking around for some little place that would suit us: we won't be fussy."

Her face was radiant. To think of her first little home as a wife. "You'll love it," he was saying.

"Oh, I will love it."

"Yep. Years ago I was in Florida."

Her heart sank a little. It sounded a little too impressive. They must be rich, the Ingersolls. They might not be enthusiastic about welcoming an obscure daughter-in-law without a penny.

"How much does it cost to get to Florida?" she asked.

"I don't know exactly. A couple of hundred, maybe. Would that cramp your style?"

She laughed at the phraseology. They went into Bingers' brightly lighted candy store and found a table in a dim curved ingle and ordered chocolate malted milks.

"You promise me you'll wait, Loveday?"

"I promise."

"No matter if it takes six months. No matter if it takes a year?"

"No matter how long it takes."

"I don't believe anyone could spoil you," he said adoringly. "Now, listen: It's half-past five."

"It isn't."

"It is. I'll get my car and run you home. And can I come in and meet your mother and grandmother and give them some idea of what's going on?"

They went in at the side entrance Loveday pushed open the dining-room door, and Larry saw the table set for three, with candlesticks and tall goblets of fine cut glass, a Chinese woman peeped in said something inaudible to him, presently brought him a glass of tomato juice on a little silver tray. Loveday was waiting, waiting.

Loveday was back in a whirl, her eyes wild, her face white.

"Larry!" she said, catching frantically at his arm. "It's my mother! She fell—she was with my grandmother talking — she went to her room only a few minutes ago. . . ."

Her hand was locked in his big hard, cold one as they raced upstairs. A warm bar of soft light lay across the upper hall from the door of old Mrs. Gurney's room. Larry saw in the doorway the tall figure in its plain Quaker dress.

"Loveday, is there in any trouble, child? What has happened?"

When Martha Gurney was established comfortably in a smooth white bed and the doctor had gone, Loveday and her grandmother and Larry had a few whispered moments together in the old woman's room. Then Loveday went back to her mother's side and there silently watching the strange silent woman who lay so still in the bed. After a while she came to the hall where Larry was sitting and told him to go home.

"Let me stay here, Loveday. You didn't send me."

"No." She leaned against him wearily. It was infinite comfort to have his arms around her. "No, it's only waiting now," she said.

"Don't break down, Loveday. It's so wonderful to have you so strong."

"I can't tell whether I'm going to break down or not. I'm so dazed."

"If I ask the old Chinaman to send you up some soup or tea or something, would you eat it?"

"Yes, yes, I think so. It's now after eight, isn't it?"

He went downstairs, to return with a tray. They put it on a table in the hall and shared the soup and tea.

"Aunie Lum—or whatever her name is—says your grandmother had some tea around six."

"My grandmother's in there with mother now. Mother opened her eyes a few minutes ago and spoke to us both, she whispered. 'Who is the boy?' and I said, 'the boy I told Granny about,' and she said, 'Tell him to take good care of you.'"

Larry's eyes came up to hers solemnly in the strange dim lights and shadows of the great hallway. He clenched his throat.

"That's the—that's the idea," he said.

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PLANETARY DAILY GUIDE FOR WEDNESDAY, DEC. 17, 1947

Keywords for the day: Originality, patience, timing

Wednesday to General—Elders and the public may meet some problems in relationships till early afternoon. However, things take a new and surprising turn by evening. Pleasant news is indicated.

If Devoted IT Is Your Birthday: Many happy returns. Famous persons born on this date include John Greenleaf Whittier, poet, reformer and journalist; Paracelsus, chemist and physician; Joseph Henry, physicist.

Your Year Ahead—Let past experience guide you in making important decisions or changes. You have much to gain from new contacts and those around you. Be available, friendly, sociable.

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NEED NOT BE SUNK

ROME, Dec. 16 (AP)—A Foreign Ministry communique today announced the Big Four Powers had agreed that Italian submarines scheduled to be sunk at midnight under the terms of the Italian peace treaty need not be sunk. The communique explained that the United States, Britain, France and Russia had agreed with the Italian position that the machinery and scrap metal of the submarines would be useful to Italy's industries.

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MAKE POSTHUMOUS AWARD TO QUALICUM OFFICER

Shown above at Government House, Ottawa, is P. F. Strouts, right, who received Distinguished Flying Cross worn by his son, the late Pilot Officer F. S. Strouts. With Mr. Strouts is another son, Flt.-Lt. R. H. Strouts, and his wife. They live at Ottawa.

Port Alberni Fire Chief Asks for Building Code

PORT ALBERNI, Dec. 16—Strong recommendations to Fire Chief W. P. Venables that a building code be established at the earliest possible date, and that an aerial ladder truck be purchased for the local fire department, was contained in a letter to City Council tonight with a request from the chief that he be relieved of some of his other duties such as that of building inspector, since his work as fire chief was becoming a full-time job.

The chief referred to the disastrous fires in Port Alberni this year, and said that had they broken out in some congested flame area of the city they would have wiped out the entire area.

No fire department, no matter how well equipped, could compete with fires in frame structures in which stairways and corridors acted as flues, and in cases where alarms were not promptly turned in, the chief pointed out.

He felt the need of a fire alarm system governed by local

FIRE CHIEF W. P. VENABLES

With fire hall construction, fire protection equipment in the building in which they occupied. He said they were necessary in hotels and apartment houses.

He realized it was a great problem to deal with such old buildings, but the city sprinkler systems would be a great help, but costly.

He said the department had only one hundred ladders, one of 30 feet, and a hose reel and hose-bridge, requiring six men to direct. A 65-foot aerial ladder he deemed a necessity.

The council agreed to make a recommendation to the incoming council for a building code and the aerial ladder truck.

Herring Fishermen Harvest Big Catch

VANCOUVER, Dec. 16 (CP)—Fishing companies reported today a 27-hour herring "bonanza" occurred Sunday and Monday off the lower East Coast of Vancouver Island.

Fishermen hauled in almost 12,000,000 pounds of fish, valued at $65,000. With less than 100 boat crews sharing, it means a sizable Christmas bonus for the men.

Today fish packers were pouring the tons of silver herring into canning plants.

Alberni Store Liquor Stolen

ALBERNI, Dec. 16—Burglars here are getting their Christmas cheer early. They broke into the newly-opened Alberni Bluner store some time between 1 a.m. and 4 a.m. and got away with several cases of liquor. The vendor, Vincent Palmer, is closed the store temporarily to make an inventory of the loss.

The store room door was found open. Entry to the building was made by breaking the glass of the front door, and the burglary was discovered by the staff of the Alberni Baking Company going to work. Provincial police are investigating.

Christmas Cards

ALBERNI, Dec. 16—The City Council granted permission to the Girls Auxiliary to sell cards on city streets at Christmas. They will be accompanied by a crew of 50 girls.

Building permits totaling $11,650 were approved covering erection of three dwellings, two garages and alterations. The council took no action on a petition of 14 stores calling for early holidays on December 24 and 27.

The police report signed by Constable W. J. Currie was received and filed. Pollution for drainage were referred to next year's council.

Tiny Mesachie Baby Remains at Duncan

MESACHIE LAKE, Dec. 16—On a recent news broadcast from Vancouver, it was stated that Claire Margaret, tiny daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Bodeman of Mesachie Lake, was home. This is not so. Winnie is thriving, she is still in King's Daughters' Hospital, Duncan. Grace Maureen will be four months old on Sunday, and now weighs five pounds, 12 ounces. Her weight at birth was one pound, four ounces.

Juveniles Escape Injury in Mishap

PORT ALBERNI, Dec. 16—Several juveniles escaped injury when a car in which they were riding went over the Tenth Avenue bridge and dropped 20 feet, turning upside down.

It would have fallen much further if its momentum had not carried it beyond a point where the drop is much deeper.

Police said the names of the juveniles involved had not been ascertained.

Chlorinate Water At Rural School

PORT ALBERNI, Dec. 16—Water at Cliff School in the Alberni rural area is being chlorinated. The teacher has been supplied with the materials and is doing the chlorination.

Some time ago health authorities advised the city of Alberni that its water must be chlorinated. The school board announced its action at a meeting here.

C. D. Byrnon was confirmed as Bloedel, Stewart & Welch, Ltd. supplying to the board.

Trustees received a report that there were no rats in Alberni district school. An extermination service will be instituted.

It was stated the board found increasing difficulty in securing nursing staff and keeping them, due to accommodation problems. Previously many of the nurses were boarding girls living at home, but now the situation has changed, and many nurses come from outside.

A vote of thanks was extended to the retiring members of the board, Trustee W. R. B. Brown, chairman, and Trustee William Johnstone, finance committee chairman.

Pupils Help Aged

PORT ALBERNI, Dec. 16—Senior Children's Aid Club members, through the efforts of Redford School Grade V class of 30 pupils, who sang Christmas carols and received donations. The fund is used each year to bring Christmas cheer to old age pensioners in Alberni district.

Seek More Power

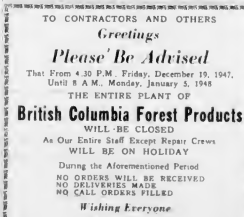
NANAIMO, Dec. 16—The City Council will make an immediate effort to secure additional power for industrial use. The B.C. Power Commission will be asked to meet the demands of Nanaimo district industry.

Weather Forecasts

East Coast of Vancouver Island—Cloudy with showers. Winds Northwest 15 m.p.h. Little change in temperature.

West Coast of Vancouver Island—Cloudy with scattered showers. Winds Northwest 20 m.p.h. Colder Wednesday.

Bowser Man Grows Enormous Rutabaga



Photograph shows a rutabaga, or purple Swede turnip, weighing 27½ pounds and measuring 31 inches in diameter. It was grown by Chris Bowser, north of Qualicum Beach.

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NEW CITY HALL AT ALBERNI TAKES SHAPE

Photograph shows Alberni's new City Hall under construction at intersection of Johnston Street and Victoria Quay. Old City Hall on same street will be used as bank premises.

Englishman River Span Rushed by Government

PORT ALBERNI, Dec. 16—Trucks crossing from Port Alberni to have a temporary bridge at Englishman River ready for traffic by Thursday. Automobile traffic can go through via Parksville cut-off that crosses Englishman River several miles above the highway.

The E. & N. Railway is bringing in an express car of freight a day. This, in addition to the Christmas rush, is causing the trains to be about one hour late.

The bus company is transferring passengers across Englishman River by a foot bridge, and is keeping normal schedules. With the exception of the cancellation of the Islander Limited.

One truck freighting outfit estimates the duplex handling of freight has cost him $1,000 to date.

Victim of Fire Leaves Valley

PORT ALBERNI, Dec. 16—A local ambulance went through to Nanaimo over the washed-out highway Monday. It carried Florence Bowman, 18, who was badly burned in the King Edward Hotel on November 18. She was on her way to Vancouver for further treatment.

She is the daughter of leader Rosenbaum, owner of the hotel, who has his wife and another daughter also suffered burns in the Alberni Valley fire.

Open Lake Store

LAKE COWICHAN, Dec. 16—Price Dry Goods of Duncan opened a branch store in the Smith Block on Monday morning. The store was formerly occupied by an insurance and real estate agent. Miss E. Lambrick, of the company's staff at Duncan, is in charge of the branch at Lake Cowichan.

On Ten-Hour Day

MESACHIE LAKE, Dec. 16—Trade crews have gone back to the old established 10-hour schedule here, after being on a straight 8-hour-day for a short time.

Nanaimo Resident Injured by Train

VANCOUVER, Dec. 16 (CP)—William Watt, 66, of Nanaimo was critically injured early today when struck by a shunting freight train on the interurban tracks below the Cocoanut Grove.

Police believe he fell asleep on the tracks. He was found lying alongside the right-of way when the six-car train moved into siding.

A O. Phillips, who was standing on the footboard of the engine, spotted the man in the path of the engine, but the train could not be stopped in time to avoid striking him.

Hospital authorities reported Watt's condition as poor but he had shown a little improvement since admittance.

Funeral Services

LAOYSMITH, Dec. 16—Funeral services for the late Mrs. Jennie Crossetti, 70, who passed away in Ladysmith General Hospital on Saturday, were held at St. Mary's Catholic Church this morning with Rev. C. T. Albury officiating.

Born in Peave, Italy, Mrs. Crossetti came to Canada 38 years ago.

Besides her widower, she is survived by a brother, Andrew Bugo, three nieces at Cumberland, and a sister in France.

Aldermen Praise Telephone Girls

PORT ALBERNI, Dec. 16—Once again the Port Alberni City Council will recognize valuable work done each year by the local telephone girls. They will receive suitable Christmas gifts. Reference was made in the fact that the city fire alarm system depends upon calls through central and the girls have been very efficient in avoiding the departures.

It was also noted that the Christmas lights at the intersection of Third Avenue and Argyle Street be turned on and different bulbs replaced.

Mayor W. C. Hamilton took occasion at the final meeting before Christmas to wish the aldermen all a Merry Christmas.

Prepare By-Laws For City Traffic

PORT ALBERNI, Dec. 16—The City Solicitor will be asked to frame regulations for by-laws dealing with the number of traffic regulations.

Constable J. M. Green, traffic officer of the Provincial Police here, reported to the Council that the local traffic committee had agreed to bear the cost of establishing bus stop signs at the post office corner and the east and west sides of Third avenue at Argyle Street.

A stop sign has been placed at the termination of Kingsway at Third Avenue and traffic traffic sign light at Kingsway and Third, with red warnings on the Kingsway and Dunbar Street intersections of Third Avenue and the main highway. Constable Green noted that all traffic markers required repairs.

Pass By-Laws

PORT ALBERNI, Dec. 16—"We are making history tonight, gentlemen. We are borrowing almost to the city's limit to pay," Mayor W. C. Hamilton declared at a City Council meeting when Frank L. Kilbs, returning officer, gave final figures on by-laws totaling more than $600,000 and they were given final reading. All passed at the recent voting. They are the waterworks by-law $40,000, sewer by-law, $140,000, paving by-law, $60,000, and school by-law Port Alberni portion, $281,000. All were given substantial majorities by the ratepayers.

Port Alberni Men Held by Washout

PORT ALBERNI, Dec. 16. Many citizens invited to the opening of the Campbell River power project Monday were unable to attend because of washouts on the highway. Some did not wish to risk taking their cars over the road, and buses were not running. A few, including James Mowat, M.L.A., Alberni, planned an airplane trip, but bad weather held the plane.

Build New Garage At Mesachie Lake

MESACHIE LAKE, Dec. 16—Lanson & Richardson, Duncan contractors, are constructing a large steam-heated garage and workshop near the Administration Building here, where repairs to logging trucks and equipment owned by the Lubrent Lumber Company Limited, will be carried out.

To Buy Rock Crusher

PORT ALBERNI, Dec. 16—Under a municipal act amendment, money received by cities from sales of property are to be used first to cover existing fund deficiencies and secondly for capital or special works. The Port Alberni Council approved expenditure of $1,000 to refund for a comfort station, a rock crusher, a grandstand at Recreation Park and a caretaker's cottage at the park.

Town up parks to the refrigeration with enamel paint.

To Open Sidney Store

SIDNEY, Dec. 16—John Speedie and Eric Sleep, who served seven years in the Royal Canadian Navy, have purchased property at the southeast corner of Beacon Avenue and Fifth Street. They intend to establish a paint general hardware wallpaper and builders' hardware business under the name of Sterling Enterprises.

Luxton Residents Select Officers

LUXTON, Dec. 16—F. J. Willway was elected president and A. M. McIntyre, vice-president of Luxton Ratepayers Association, during a conference held for salary grant purposes the time spent by trustees was received services during the war. Resolutions were passed by the Metropolitan Bertie and Roy Mills were named directors. The financial statement was read by Mr. Williams. Ross Hacorka presided.

The secretary-treasurer was asked to interview the hall committee with a view to setting a date for the annual meeting. Directors were requested to draft a resolution for presentation at the next meeting. Information will also be sought on the effect of zoning by-laws on Luxton and Happy Valley.

Affects Teachers

Teachers of Saanich School District No. 63 have been informed that the Provincial Department of Education, vice-president of Union relations, has received a preference valid for salary grant purposes the time spent by teachers in the war. Resolutions were passed by the Metropolitan Association of Teachers, Victoria, of Canada. To qualify for such directions. The financial statement grants teachers concerned must submit as proof certificates of service issued by the Minister of Reconstruction.

WOLF HUNTER HIRED

TULLIBY, Alta. (CP)—Farmers and ranchmen of this district 142 miles northeast of Edmonton have engaged a hunter to destroy Prairie wolves which have been plaguing their stock. Each farmer and ranchmen pays 15 cents a head of stock into the fund. The coyote hunter is paid a bounty of $25 for each animal destroyed.

HIRME BUILDING LAGS

VANCOUVER (CP)—R. C. Prism, president of the Vancouver General Contractors Association, says that home building has dropped sharply during the last six months. He blames the slowdown on high costs of materials and delays in delivery.

PELSBRIDGE, Surrey, England (CP)—Because sleepers in bunk-houses run right through her house, Mrs. H. Orse sleeps in Surrey and her two daughters in Sussex.

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Spirit of Christmas Created at Festival

The spirit of Christmas is created in song and music by community and choral singing at the second annual Victoria Festival of Christmas Carols.

Sponsored by the Recreational Council of Greater Victoria in Metropolitan United Church, the festival, specially arranged to appeal to audiences and will continue tonight at 8.

Eight choir groups were in last night's festival, presenting popular and cheerful Christmas music. Other familiar old hymns, such as "O Come All Ye Faithful," were given to the audience for community singing.

Mayor Percy E. George lauded the festival in a short address, and expressed concern over rumors that the Recreational Council may dissolve because of failure of the Community Chest, financial backers, to reach the goals this year.

Audience singing of the hymns was enhanced by the voices of the choirs joining in, swelling the chorus by a massed choir of several hundred voices.

First to perform was a group from Central Junior High School, conducted by Winnifred Elliott, which sang "O Holy Night" and "Sheperds Shake Off Your Drowsy Sleep." St. Aidan's United Church Choir, conducted by Frank Jennings, presented "The First Christmas Morn." The Georgian Choristers, a women's group conducted by Georgina West, sang three numbers, "Sleep, Little Dove," "Shepherd's Carol" and "Angels over the Fields."

Conducted by C. C. Warren, the St. Andrew's Presbyterian Choir presented "Dear Nightingale, Awake" "See Amid the Winter's Snow," by J. E. West, and "Come, Ye Lofty."

Esquimalt Centre Prepares for Christmas Party

Showing increasing popularity and support of community, younger members of Esquimalt Community Centre are seen above hard at work preparing decorations for large Christmas party and dance to be held Monday night, December 22. In top photograph overseeing Peggy Robinson's lettering are Sandy Dodd, Terry Jones, Sharon Drovse, and Reg Edwards. Dolores and Joyce Christianson are on the background. In the lower picture, Mrs. Edith Brindley, centre director, aids large group of young volunteers.

Many Recall Christmas As Interlude in Battle

More than a million as servicemen, Eighth Army in Italy, were fighting and 30,000 men who "starved in" in and around Orizona. It was cold, will celebrate Christmas this year, raw and unhealthy, but there was no more—that came a week later, on "In action," when it didn't seem a New Year's Eve.

lot like the festive season.

The war was only too real and they were praying "for keeps."

On Christmas Day, 1943, Canadians, scrapping with the British navy, were in more inconvenient surroundings.

The Seaforths were street fighting in Orizona at the time and they wasn't a man present who would have bet 50 cents that he'd live to see the New Year.

Christmas dinner was served in the shell-blasted church to one company at a time. Break in, a company at a time and when they'd eaten, sneak back and let the next company in. They were piped in in true Scottish style. When they were seated, and while they ate, the padre, who managed to put the church organ in some semblance of shape, played Christmas carols.

Without quite knowing why, men who only minutes before had been fighting through the sights of a rifle, sang the carols they had always sung at Christmas. At the end of the block and in the next street, tommy guns answered Schmeisers.

Large Crowd Expected At Centre

A large crowd is expected to turn out for the Christmas party and dance of the Esquimalt Community Centre next Monday.

Children under the direction of Mrs. Edith Brindley have been working days and evenings to prepare decorations. A large Christmas tree has been set up in the hall at 1128 Colville Road and a full program is being planned.

Entertainment is hoped to prove lively and interesting. But Mrs. Brindley is trying to find further volunteer talent, comedians, musicians or singers, to lend a hand.

Starting at 7:30 p.m. Santa Claus will give away candy and gifts to children of 12 and under.

Dancing to popular music will begin at 8:30 p.m and last until midnight. Numerous prizes will be given during the evening to holders of admission tickets. Refreshments will be served.

Issue Warrant For B.C. Man

Following lookout of a 1947 sedan, stolen in Victoria and subsequently sold in Vancouver, city police have issued a warrant for the arrest on a theft charge of Robert L. Anderson, Langley, B.C.

The car, rented by the Pontiac U-Drive Company of Victoria, to Anderson on October 28, has been recovered used car dealer and taken to a resident of North Vancouver.

A 1946 sedan, owned by Sylvester U-Drive Co. of Vancouver, and also rented to Anderson, was sold to an agent of a Vancouver automobile firm in Nanaimo on October 29. A third car, also believed rented to the same man in Nanaimo, was subsequently sold in Vancouver. Both of these cars have been located.

Police Seek Lost Youth

Saanich police are seeking information as to the whereabouts of 14-year-old William Brisko, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Brisko, 1401 Harrop Road, who has been missing from his home for more than a month.

The missing boy is described as five feet, six inches tall, weighing 125 pounds with fair hair, blue eyes and a ruddy complexion. When last seen he was wearing a pair of grey tweed trousers, blue shirt and tie, dark fawn sweater and a maroon jacket, interwoven with grey.

He is believed to be still on the lower end of the island and police are asking anyone having information leading to his recovery to communicate with Saanich police headquarters.

Fourteen Hurt In Traffic Crash

ST. PAUL, Dec. 16 (AP)—Ten post office employees were severely hurt and 25 streetcar passengers, 12 of whom suffered head injuries, were thrown into panic, as a streetcar and a mail truck collided head-on and burst into flames today.

COMFORT FOR EXPLORATIONS

QUEBEC (CP)—The Quebec Legislative Assembly Finance and committee rooms are being air-conditioned, to be ready for the next session. It is also announced that trained hibernic guides will escort visitors through the buildings.

AUTUMN V-SIGN

TORONTO (CP)—One of the way south. Some of the birds were greatest annual trials of wild life is again underway in Ontario, where, but most fly on to the where snow geese and Canada southern United States.

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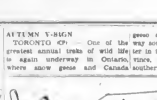

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Drawing for assessment prizes and Klondyke night at the Marina Workers, Machinists and Boilermakers' Industrial Union, 101 Johnson Street, at 7.30 p.m. on Friday, December 19. No admission. Everybody welcome.

New Year's Eve Celebration—Loughheed's Banquet Club, 1406 Douglas Street, at 8 p.m. Delicious turkey supper and dancing. Orchestra and entertainers. Tickets, $10 couple. Reservations. Phone G 0833.

An exhibition of the work of the Children and Junior Creative Art Classes, will be held at the Navigation Studios, 1884 Pandora Avenue, Sunday, December 14 to Wednesday, 31 to 5 pm.

C.C.F. discussion group meet every Wednesday at 8 p.m. at Woodworth Hall, 810 Pandora Avenue. Series "The Modern World" subject "France Becomes a House Divided." Everyone interested welcome.

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Christmas cake contest by the Junior Auxiliary of St. Joseph's Hospital was won by Master Gregory O'Connor, nephew of Tolmie and Gallehge Streets.

Order on Trial Six Arm Bands

Permission was granted to Acting Chief John Blackstock by the police commission yesterday to obtain for trial six new-type arm bands for use by officers on traffic duty after dark.

The new arm bands will be fashioned of white rubber and will extend from the wrist to the elbow to replace the present cloth bands now used.

Acting Chief Blackstock told the commission that present bands are difficult to see at night and soil quickly. The new type, he said, should be much easier to see really pleased and longer lasting. Price is $2.35 a pair, he said, and estimated that 16 pairs would be needed.

He was instructed to obtain six bands and to give the material before ordering the remainder.

COAL OUTPUT UP

LONDON, Dec. 12 (Reuters)—British miners last week produced 4,304,300 tons of saleable coal. This is the highest total since early August, 1946. It was the seventh week in succession that the miners output has exceeded 4,000,000 tons.

ROASTS FAMILY TREE

HALIFAX (CP)—Harold A. Garrison has family records dating back to the sartorial days of Halifax. Among them is the original passport granting permission to his great-great-great-grandfather to leave France to come to Nova Scotia. The document, now yellow with age, still bears the official wax stamp.

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Will Provide Special Trains

OTTAWA, Dec. 16 (CP)—Transport Minister Chevrier told members of the Commons today that the railways will use additional equipment this week-end to see that members get home in time for Christmas.

The House will adjourn this pre-Christmas sitting Friday night.

Mr. Chevrier said special trains will be operated to such points as Montreal and Quebec, while special sleeping car equipment will be installed on trains in the west.

The cost, he added, will be provided for in the Parliamentary appropriations.

Mr. Chevrier said air travel was not covered by the present plans, which would set even the British Columbia members home by Christmas.

Declare Dividends

CALGARY, Dec. 16—Dividends on Burns & Co., Ltd., class "A" and class "B" shares were announced this morning by R. J. Dinning, president of the company. At a meeting of the board of directors, a dividend of $1 was declared on class "B" shares to be paid in 1948 on a quarterly basis of 25c per share, payable in January, April, July and October, plus an extra dividend of 25c payable with the January instalment.

Class "A" shares, in addition to the class "B" dividends, carry a preferred dividend of $1 per share, and this preferred dividend will accompany the January payment. The first quarterly payment of 25c is payable January 24 to shareholders of record January 7.

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W. J. Tupper Dies at 85 In Manitoba

WINNIPEG, Dec. 16 (CP)—William Johnston Tupper, 85, a former Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba and bearer of one of the most distinguished names in Canadian history, died here today after an illness of several months.

Son of Upper Canada College, Toronto, and Harvard Law School, he was a son of the late Sir Charles Tupper, one of the fathers of confederation and Prime Minister of Canada in 1896.

Appointed Lieutenant-Governor of Manitoba December 1, 1934, Mr. Tupper held that office for almost six years. In his life few had more prominently identified themselves with public affairs than he.

Legislators said of him that no occasion was too small and none too great to receive his enthusiastic attention. On his 75th birthday he recalled that in less than three years, as Lieutenant-Governor he had officiated in 3,200 public functions, a record he maintained until his retirement.

NORFOLK, Va., Dec. 16 (AP)—Seven naval airmen were killed today when a Consair fighter plane and a patrol bomber carrying a crew of seven collided in the air and crashed at the Norfolk naval air station. Naval spokesmen said the Consair, attached to the aircraft carrier Coral Sea, collided with the right wing of the bomber.

Amnesia Victim Believes Home Was in Vancouver

LONDON, Dec. 16, (CP) — A young Canadian, apparently a seaman who believes his name may be Lou or Luke and his home in Vancouver, is in St. John's Hospital, Battersea, listed as a "complete amnesia" case.

He says he may have had a nickname "Lucky."

He feet tall with light brown hair, blue eyes, and a fair skin, the man was admitted to hospital last Wednesday. He said he had been wandering the streets since 3 a.m. Tuesday when he came to in a "small park" near Piccadilly suffering from a head injury. He had no money, documents or any kind of identification.

The man has a scar at the base of his left thumb and five false upper teeth. His right ear is smaller than his left and the shinbone of his left leg bears a small indenture.

Under the influence of a drug early today he talked disjointedly of Nelson Street, Vancouver, and Nelson, B.C. Hospital officials also heard him mention a Danish ship named "Tal Marie."

On recovering consciousness the man said he had a vague memory of having served on a Danish ship during the war and of another ship called something like "Kaal Walmaid or Vernaid."

The man was unable to recall any of Vancouver's principal landmarks. He said he had "an idea I have a wife and one child but I cannot explain why."

Italy Permitted To Share Gold

LONDON, Dec. 16 (AP)—Representatives of Britain, the United States, France and Italy today signed a protocol permitting Italy to receive a share of the gold board looted by Germany during the war. A total of 5,388 pounds of gold already have been set aside by a tripartite commission as Italy's share in preliminary distribution, with more in follow

TANKERS COLLIDE

PORTLAND, Dec. 16 (AP)—Two tankers, one under law, collided in the Columbia River today north of St. Helens and one of the recording rings suffered damage estimated at $10,000.

Auction Goods Once Owned By Viscount

MICKLEHAM, SURREY, ENGLAND, Dec. 16 (CP).— Persian rugs, tapestries, silver, glass, pictures and three automobiles once the property of the late Viscount Bennett, former Prime Minister of Canada, realized $55,000 at the second day of the auction sale of the household furnishings at his Juniper Hill home.

Friends and neighbours of the peer who died last June, as well as collectors, bargain hunters and dealers, were among the 400 persons attending the three-day sale which closes tomorrow with the sale of 7,000 books.

One of the books to be sold is a leather-bound volume of "Industry and Humanity" by Prime Minister MacKenzie King. Lord Bennett's political opponent during the early 1930's.

Among sales today were several pieces of Canadiana including a crayon drawing of an Indian chief and squaw by Nicholas Grand-Maison, noted painter of Alberta aborigines.

The small drawing drew £22

CONDITION IMPROVES

OTTAWA, Dec. 16 (CP)—The condition of F. W. Townley-Smith, C.C.F. member of Parliament for North Battleford, Sask., in hospital here, now is "satisfactory." It was learned today.

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Wooden Wall Dryer, ten adjustable arms for use indoor drying. Reg. 75c 49
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